

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S8757–S8881*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1750–1754, and S. Res. 263–265. **Page S8794**

#### Measures Reported:

H.R. 835, to reauthorize the programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development for housing assistance for Native Hawaiians. (S. Rept. No. 110–126)

S. 1751, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. (S. Rept. No. 110–127) **Page S8794**

#### Measures Passed:

**Legal Counsel:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 263, to authorize testimony and legal representation in *State of Iowa v. Chester Guinn, Brian David Terrell, Dixie Jenness Webb, Kathleen McQuillen, and Elton Lloyd Davis*. **Pages S8757–58**

**Implementing the 9/11 Commission Recommendations Act:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1, to provide for the implementation of the recommendations of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States, and the bill was then passed after striking all after the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 4, Senate companion measure, as amended.

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Lieberman, Levin, Akaka, Carper, Pryor, Collins, Voinovich, Coleman, Coburn; from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Senators Dodd and Shelby; from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Senators Inouye and Stevens; and from the Com-

mittee on Foreign Relations: Senators Biden and Lugar.

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that it not be in order to consider the conference report if it contains certain collective bargaining provisions. **Pages S8760–61, S8881**

**National Watermelon Month:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 262, designating July 2007 as “National Watermelon Month”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S8880**

**Congratulating the Saint Mary’s College of Maryland Sailing Team:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 265, congratulating the St. Mary’s College of Maryland sailing team for winning the 2007 Inter-collegiate Sailing Association (ICSA) Women’s National Championship and the 2007 ICSA Team Race National Championship. **Pages S8880–81**

**Charlie W. Norwood Living Organ Donation Act:** Senate passed H.R. 710, to amend the National Organ Transplant Act to provide that criminal penalties do not apply to paired donations of human kidneys, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S8879–80**

Reid (for Levin) Amendment No. 2025, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8880**

#### Measures Considered:

**National Defense Authorization Act:** Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 1585, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8766–76**

Pending:

Nelson (NE) (for Levin) Amendment No. 2011, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8766–76**

Webb Amendment No. 2012 (to Amendment No. 2011), to specify minimum periods between deployment of units and members of the Armed Forces for Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. **Pages S8786–76**

Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 2013 (to Amendment No. 2012), to change the enactment date. **Page S8771**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that if a cloture motion is filed on Tuesday, July 10, 2007, on Webb Amendment No. 2012 (listed above), the cloture vote occur on Wednesday, July 11, 2007. **Page S8789**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, July 9, 2007. **Page S8881**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 88 yeas (Vote No. EX. 239), Liam O'Grady, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

By 83 yeas 4 nays (Vote No. EX. 240), Janet T. Neff, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan.

Paul Lewis Maloney, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan.

Robert James Jonker, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan. **Pages S8776–86, S8881**

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—240) **Pages S8785, S8786**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:14 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 10, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8881.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### THE NATURAL GAS MARKET

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded a hearing to examine excessive speculation in the natural gas market, after receiving testimony from Walter L. Lukken, Acting Chairman, and Michael Dunn, Commissioner, both of the Office of External Affairs, Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC); James Newsome, New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc., New York, New York; and Jeffrey C. Sprecher, IntercontinentalExchange (ICE), Inc., Atlanta, Georgia.