

Paul Amendment No. 1485 (to Amendment No. 1470), to apply the reporting requirements to Federal employees and judicial officers. **Page S239**

Paul Amendment No. 1487 (to Amendment No. 1470), to prohibit executive branch appointees or staff holding positions that give them oversight, rule-making, loan or grant-making abilities over industries or companies in which they or their spouse have a significant financial interest. **Page S239**

DeMint Amendment No. 1488 (to Amendment No. 1470), to express the sense of the Senate that the Senate should pass a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution that limits the number of terms a Member of Congress may serve. **Page S239**

Paul Amendment No. 1490 (to Amendment No. 1470), to require former Members of Congress to forfeit Federal retirement benefits if they work as a lobbyist or engage in lobbying activities. **Page S239**

Blumenthal/Kirk Amendment No. 1498 (to Amendment No. 1470), to amend title 5, United States Code, to deny retirement benefits accrued by an individual as a Member of Congress if such individual is convicted of certain offenses. **Pages S239–40**

Shelby Amendment No. 1491 (to Amendment No. 1470), to extend the STOCK Act to ensure that the reporting requirements set forth in the STOCK Act apply to the executive branch and independent agencies. **Pages S240–41**

Inhofe/Hutchison Amendment No. 1500 (to Amendment No. 1470), to prohibit unauthorized earmarks. **Pages S243–45**

Boxer/Isakson Amendment No. 1489 (to Amendment No. 1470), to require full and complete public disclosure of the terms of home mortgages held by Members of Congress. **Pages S245–48**

Tester/Toomey Amendment No. 1492 (to Amendment No. 1470), to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to exempt a certain class of securities from such Act. **Pages S248–49**

Tester/Cochran Amendment No. 1503 (to Amendment No. 1470), to require Senate candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form. **Page S249**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11 a.m., on Thursday, February 2, 2012. **Pages S277–78**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Michael A. Botticelli, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy.

Christy L. Romero, of Virginia, to be Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages S278–81**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Alan D. Bersin, of California, to be Commissioner of Customs, Department of Homeland Security, which was sent to the Senate on January 26, 2011.

John D. Podesta, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2014, which was sent to the Senate on January 26, 2011. **Page S281**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:56 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 2, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S278.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

OUTLOOK FOR THE EUROZONE

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the outlook for the eurozone, after receiving testimony from C. Fred Bergsten, Peterson Institute for International Economics, Simon Johnson, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Sloan School of Management, and Adam Lerrick, American Enterprise Institute, all of Washington, D.C.

UKRAINE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded a hearing to examine Ukraine, focusing on what's at stake for the United States and Europe, after receiving testimony from Steven Pifer, The Brookings Institution, Damon M. Wilson, Atlantic Council, and Edward Chow, Center for Strategic and International Studies, all of Washington, D.C.; and Eugenia Tymoshenko Carr, Kiev, Ukraine.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT PROCESSING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government

Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine Federal retirement processing, focusing on ensuring proper and timely payments, after receiving testimony from John Berry, Director, and Patrick E. McFarland, Inspector General, both of the Office of Personnel Management; Valerie C. Melvin, Director, Information Management and Technology Resources Issues, Government Accountability Office; Joseph A. Beaudoin, National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, Alexandria, Virginia; and George Nesterzczuk, Nesterzczuk and Associates, Vienna, Virginia.

HIGH-GROWTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine developing and strengthening high-growth entrepreneurship, after receiving testimony from Sean Greene, Associate Administrator for Investment, Small Business Administration; Wayne Crews, Competitive Enterprise Institute, Douglas Holtz-Eakin, American Action Forum, Stephen Ezell, Information Technology and Innovation Foundation, Jim Kessler, Third Way,

Madeleine Sumption, Migration Policy Institute, and Diane Tomb, National Association of Women Business Owners, all of Washington, D.C.; Barry Evans, Calxeda, Austin, Texas; Ridgely C. Evers, Tapit Partners LLC, Healdsburg, California; Mike Farmer, Leap2, Kansas City, Kansas; Michael A. Finney, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, Lansing; Brink Lindsey, and Jonathan Ortman, both of the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, Kansas City, Missouri; and Tim Rowe, Cambridge Innovation Center, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

UNITED STATES-CARIBBEAN SECURITY COOPERATION

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded a hearing to examine the United States-Caribbean Security Cooperation, after receiving testimony from Anibal de Castro, Ambassador of the Dominican Republic to the United States, Audrey P. Marks, Ambassador of Jamaica to the United States, and Cornelius Smith, Ambassador of the Bahamas to the United States, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 3859–3879; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 532, 535, were introduced. **Pages H373–74**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H375–76**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 658, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–381);

H. Res. 533, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 658) to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–382);

H. Res. 534, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3578) to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to reform the budget baseline, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3582) to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for macroeconomic analysis of the impact of legislation (H. Rept. 112–383); and

H.R. 1734, to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, selling, disposing, and improving the efficiency of federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–384, Pt. 1).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Cravaack to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H223**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:36 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H227**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Karen Hallett, United States Army, New Windsor, New York. **Page H227**

Board of Visitors to the United States Military Academy—Appointment: The Chair announced