

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S6765–S6828*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3627–3630, and S. Res. 592–596. **Page S6800**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 1307, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey real property, including improvements, of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Ketchikan, Alaska. (S. Rept. No. 112–239)

S. 183, to clarify the applicability of certain maritime laws with respect to the blowout and explosion of the mobile offshore drilling unit Deepwater Horizon, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 692, to improve hurricane preparedness by establishing the National Hurricane Research Initiative, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 911, to establish the sense of Congress that Congress should enact, and the President should sign, bipartisan legislation to strengthen public safety and to enhance wireless communications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1449, to authorize the appropriation of funds for highway safety programs and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1980, to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through port State measures.

S. 2279, to amend the R.M.S. Titanic Maritime Memorial Act of 1986 to provide additional protection for the R.M.S. Titanic and its wreck site.

S. 2388, to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6800**

#### Measures Passed:

*Taking Essential Steps for Testing Act:* Senate passed H.R. 6118, to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification. **Page S6827**

*Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act:* Senate passed H.R. 6131, to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006. **Page S6827**

*Superstorm Sandy Relief:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 596, permitting the solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for the relief of victims of Superstorm Sandy. **Page S6827**

#### Measures Considered:

*National Defense Authorization Act:* Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3254, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. **Pages S6765–74**

*Cybersecurity Act:* By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 202), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having not voted in the affirmative, Senate upon reconsideration rejected the motion to close further debate on S. 3414, to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States. **Pages S6774–84**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

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**Sportsmen's Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 9:15 a.m., on Thursday, November 15, 2012, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on S. 3525, to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting; and that the filing deadline for second-degree amendments to the bill be at 9:10 a.m., on Thursday, November 15, 2012.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Valerie E. Caproni, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Kenneth John Gonzales, of New Mexico, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico.

Raymond P. Moore, of Colorado, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado.

Beverly Reid O'Connell, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

William L. Thomas, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Analisa Torres, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Derrick Kahala Watson, of Hawaii, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii.

Claire R. Kelly, of New York, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

A routine list in the Coast Guard. **Page S6828**

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—202) **Page S6784**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2:30 p.m. and adjourned at 7:02 p.m., until 9 a.m. on Thursday, November 15, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S6827–28.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### BASEL III OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Basel III, focusing on the impact of proposed capital rules, after receiving testimony from Michael S. Gibson, Director, Division of Banking Supervision and Regulation, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; John C. Lyons, Senior Deputy Comptroller Bank Supervision Policy, and Chief National Bank Examiner, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury; and George French, Deputy Director, Policy, Division of Risk Management Supervision, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

### ATTACK ON THE UNITED STATES MISSION IN BENGHAZI

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee received a closed briefing on the attack on the United States mission in Benghazi from Patrick Kennedy, Undersecretary for Management, and Eric Boswell, Assistant Secretary for Diplomatic Security, both of the Department of State; Michael Sheehan, Assistant Secretary for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict, and Major General Darryl Roberson, Vice Director, Operations (J-3), Joint Staff, both of the Department of Defense; Nicholas Rasmussen, Principal Deputy Director, National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC); Linda Weissgold, Director, Office of Terrorism Analysis, Central Intelligence Agency; and Andrew McCabe, Assistant Director of Counterterrorism Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.