

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 4568, Department of Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S6971–S7028*

**Measures Introduced:** Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2535–2546, S. Res. 382, and S. Con. Res. 119. **Page S6977**

**Measures Reported:** S. 2537, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005. (S. Rept. No. 108–280)

S. 2013, to amend section 119 of title 17, United States Code, to extend satellite home viewer provisions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6997**

#### Measures Passed:

**Authorizing Senate Chamber Photograph:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 382, authorizing the taking of a photograph in the Chamber of the United States Senate. **Page S6977**

**National Defense Authorization Act:** Senate continued consideration of S. 2400, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Services, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S6913–41, S6945, S6971–85**

#### Adopted:

Murray Modified Amendment No. 3427, to facilitate the availability of child care for the children of members of the Armed Forces on active duty in connection with Operation Enduring Freedom or Operation Iraqi Freedom. **Pages S691–185**

By 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 125), Warner Amendment No. 3453 (to Amendment No. 3354), to require the Secretary of Defense to prescribe and apply criteria for operationally realistic testing of

fieldable prototypes developed under the ballistic missile defense spiral development program.

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Reed Amendment No. 3354, to require baselines for and testing of block configurations of the Ballistic Missile Defense System. **Pages S6928–41**

Warner Modified Amendment No. 3450 (to Amendment No. 3352), to provide for funding the increased number of Army active-duty personnel out of fiscal year 2005 supplemental funding.

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Sessions Amendment No. 3371, to provide for increased support of survivors of deceased members of the uniformed services. **Pages S6951–54**

By 93 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 129), Reed Amendment No. 3352, to increase the end strength for active duty personnel of the Army for fiscal year 2005 by 20,000 to 502,400. **Pages S6913, S6965–66**

Warner (for Alexander) Modified Amendment No. 3173, to provide for the supplemental subsistence allowance, imminent danger pay, family separation allowance, and certain federal assistance to be cumulative benefits; and to require a report on availability of social services to members of the Armed Forces.

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Levin (for Daschle) Amendment No. 3202, to provide relief for mobilized military reservists from certain Federal agricultural loan obligations. **Page S6972**

Warner (for Ensign) Modified Amendment No. 3440, to promote a thorough investigation of the United Nations Oil-for-Food Program. **Page S6972**

Levin (for Clinton/Talent) Modified Amendment No. 3163, to provide for improved medical readiness of the members of the Armed Forces.

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Warner (for Inhofe) Modified Amendment No. 3199, to authorize United Service Organizations, Incorporated (USO) to procure supplies and services from the General Services Administration supplies and services on the Federal Supply Schedule.

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Levin (for Feinstein) Modified Amendment No. 3172, to express the sense of the Senate that perchlorate contamination of ground and surface water is becoming increasingly problematic to the public health of people in the United States. **Page S6975**

Warner (for Bond) Modified Amendment No. 3245, to require two reports on operation of the Federal Voting Assistance Program and the military postal system together with certain actions to improve the military postal system. **Page S6975**

Levin (for Leahy) Modified Amendment No. 3285, to amend title 32, United States Code, to provide for the use of members of the National Guard on full-time National Guard duty for carrying out homeland security activities in support of Federal agencies. **Pages S6975–76**

Warner (for Allard/Pryor) Amendment No. 3254, to repeal a requirement for an officer to retire upon termination of service as Superintendent of the Air Force Academy. **Page S6976**

Levin (for Akaka) Modified Amendment No. 3413, to amend the Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation (SMART) Defense Scholarship Pilot Program. **Page S6976**

Warner (for Snowe) Amendment No. 3246, to permit qualified HUBZone small business concerns and small business concerns owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans to participate in the mentor-protege program of the Department of Defense. **Page S6976**

Levin (for Bingaman) Modified Amendment No. 3390, to express the sense of Congress on the Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons of Mass Destruction. **Pages S6976–77**

Warner (for Snowe) Modified Amendment No. 3273, to revise and extend the authority for an advisory panel on review of Government procurement laws and regulations. **Page S6977**

Levin (for Bingaman) Modified Amendment No. 3284, to require an independent report on the efforts of the National Nuclear Security Administration to understand the aging of plutonium in nuclear weapons. **Page S6977**

Warner (for McConnell/Snowe) Modified Amendment No. 3434, to express the sense of the Senate on the effects of cost inflation on the value range of the contracts to which a small business contract reservation applies. **Page S6977**

Levin (for Dodd/DeWine) Amendment No. 3401, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to provide financial assistance for the improvement of the health and safety of firefighters, promote the use of life saving technologies, and achieve greater equity for departments serving large jurisdictions. **Pages S6977, S6978–79**

Warner (for Campbell) Modified Amendment No. 3237, to ensure fairness in the standards applied to members of the Army in the awarding of the Combat Infantryman Badge and the Combat Medical Badge for service in Korea in comparison to the standards applied to members of the Army in the awarding of such badges for service in other areas of operations. **Page S6977**

Levin (for Nelson (FL)) Modified Amendment No. 3279, to require a report on any relationships between terrorist organizations based in Colombia and foreign governments and organizations. **Pages S6977–78**

Rejected:

By 42 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 124), Boxer Amendment No. 3368, to allow deployment of the ground-based midcourse defense element of the national ballistic missile defense system only after the mission-related capabilities of the system have been confirmed by operationally realistic testing. **Pages S6918–28**

By 44 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 130), Biden Amendment No. 3379, to provide funds for the security and stabilization of Iraq by suspending a portion of the reduction in the highest income tax rate for individual taxpayers. **Pages S6954–65, S6966**

Pending:

Bond Modified Amendment No. 3384, to include certain former nuclear weapons program workers in the Special Exposure Cohort under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program and to provide for the disposal of certain excess Department of Defense stocks for funds for that purpose. **Pages S6913, S6966**

Brownback Amendment No. 3235, to increase the penalties for violations by television and radio broadcasters of the prohibitions against transmission of obscene, indecent, and profane language. **Pages S6980–81**

Burns Amendment No. 3457 (to Amendment No. 3235), to provide for additional factors in indecency penalties issued by the Federal Communications Commission. **Pages S6981–84**

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

The pending motion to invoke cloture on the bill was vitiated. **Page S6985**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, June 18, 2004. **Page S6968**

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

By unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 126), James L. Robart, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington. **Pages S6941–42, S6969**

By 98 yeas 1 nay (Vote No. Ex. 127), Roger T. Benitez, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

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By unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 128), Jane J. Boyle, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.

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Alan Greenspan, of New York, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years. (Reappointment)

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

Albert A. Frink, Jr., of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

John Ripin Miller, of Washington, to be Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking, with the rank of Ambassador at Large. (New Position)

Robert Allen Pittman, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Human Resources and Administration).

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**Record Votes:** Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—130) Pages S6928, S6941, S6942, S6944, S6945, S6965–66, S6966

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:24 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, June 18, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6968.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: HOMELAND SECURITY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill (S. 2537) making ap-

propriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005.

### BOND MARKETS REGULATION

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the regulation of the bond markets, focusing on fixed-income market transparency, Trade Reporting and Compliance Engine (TRACE) enabling investors to access current price information for U.S. corporate bonds, and State, local, and Internal Revenue Service regulation of municipal issuers, after receiving testimony from Annette L. Nazareth, Director, Division of Market Regulation, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Doug Shulman, National Association of Securities Dealers, New York, New York; Christopher A. Taylor, Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, Alexandria, Virginia; Micah S. Green, Bond Market Association, Washington, D.C.; Christopher M. Ryon, Vanguard Group, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania; Arthur Warga, University of Houston C.T. Bauer College of Business, Houston, Texas.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 894, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 230th Anniversary of the United States Marine Corps, and to support construction of the Marine Corps Heritage Center;

S. 976, to provide for the issuance of a coin to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement; and

The nomination of Alan Greenspan, of New York, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

### BORDER SECURITY

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine federal efforts to enhance border security, focusing on technological advancements and national border control and cross-agency law enforcement initiatives, after receiving testimony from Senator Kyl; Representative Kolbe; Asa Hutchinson, Under Secretary for Border and Transportation Security, Charles E. McQueary, Under Secretary for Science and Technology, and Mary Delaquis, Port Director, Customs and Border Protection, all of the Department of Homeland Security; Roger Di Rosa, Refuge Manager, Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; George Happ, Alaska EPSCoR, University of Alaska-Fairbanks; and Ned Norris, Jr., Tohono O'Odham Nation, Sells, Arizona.