

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1665–S1757*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2365–2368, and S. Res. 389. **Page S1680**

**Measures Reported:**

S. 2128, to provide greater transparency with respect to lobbying activities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1680**

**Measures Passed:**

**Pension Reform Act:** Senate passed H.R. 2830, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the pension funding rules, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Frist Amendment No. 2901, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1755**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Grassley, Hatch, Lott, Snowe, Santorum, Enzi, Gregg, DeWine, Isakson, Baucus, Rockefeller, Conrad, Bingaman, Kennedy, Harkin, and Mikulski. **Page S1755**

**William H. Emery Post Office:** Senate passed S. 1445, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 520 Colorado Avenue in Arriba, Colorado, as the “William H. Emery Post Office”. **Page S1755**

**Grant W. Green Post Office Building:** Senate passed S. 1792, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 205 West Washington Street in Knox, Indiana, as the “Grant W. Green Post Office Building”. **Page S1755**

**Dewey F. Bartlett Post Office:** Senate passed S. 1820, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6110 East 51st Place in Tulsa, Oklahoma as the “Dewey F. Bartlett Post Office”. **Page S1755**

**Malcolm Melville ‘Mac’ Lawrence Post Office:** Senate passed S. 2064, to designate the facility of

the United States Postal Service located at 122 South Bill Street in Francesville, Indiana, as the “Malcolm Melville ‘Mac’ Lawrence Post Office”. **Page S1755**

**Hiram L. Fong Post Office Building:** Senate passed S. 2089, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1271 North King Street in Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii, as the “Hiram L. Fong Post Office Building”. **Page S1755**

**John F. Whiteside Joliet Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 2113, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 McDonough Street in Joliet, Illinois, as the “John F. Whiteside Joliet Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S1755–56**

**John J. Hainkel, Jr. Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 2346, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 105 NW Railroad Avenue in Hammond, Louisiana, as the “John J. Hainkel, Jr. Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S1756**

**Lillian McKay Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 2413, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1202 1st Street in Humble, Texas, as the “Lillian McKay Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S1756**

**J.M. Dietrich Northeast Annex:** Senate passed H.R. 2630, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1927 Sangamon Avenue in Springfield, Illinois, as the “J.M. Dietrich Northeast Annex”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S1756**

**Abraham Lincoln Birthplace Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 2894, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 102 South Walters Avenue in Hodgenville, Kentucky, as the “Abraham Lincoln Birthplace Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S1756**

**Congressman James Grove Fulton Memorial Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 3256, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3038 West Liberty Avenue in

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as the “Congressman James Grove Fulton Memorial Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Gagetown Veterans Memorial Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 3368, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6483 Lincoln Street in Gagetown, Michigan, as the “Gagetown Veterans Memorial Post Office”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Ava Gardner Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 3439, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 North 3rd Street in Smithfield, North Carolina, as the “Ava Gardner Post Office”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Heinz Ahlmeyer, Jr. Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 3548, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located on Franklin Avenue in Pearl River, New York, as the “Heinz Ahlmeyer, Jr. Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Staff Sergeant Michael Schafer Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 3703, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8501 Philatelic Drive in Spring Hill, Florida, as the “Staff Sergeant Michael Schafer Post Office”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Grant W. Green Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 3770, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 205 West Washington Street in Knox, Indiana, as the “Grant W. Green Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Clayton J. Smith Memorial Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 3825, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 770 Trumbull Drive in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as the “Clayton J. Smith Memorial Post Office”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**United States Cleveland Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 3830, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 130 East Marion Avenue in Punta Gorda, Florida, as the “United States Cleveland Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Albert H. Quie Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 3989, a bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 37598 Goodhue Avenue in Dennison, Minnesota, as the “Albert H. Quie Post Office”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Lillian Kinkella Keil Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 4053, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 545 North Rimsdale Avenue in Covina, California, as the “Lillian Kinkella Keil Post Office”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Raymond J. Salmon Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 4152, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 High Street in Clinton, Massachusetts, as the “Raymond J. Salmon Post Office”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Corporal Jason L. Dunham Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 4515, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4422 West Sciota Street in Scio, New York, as the “Corporal Jason L. Dunham Post Office”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Robert T. Ferguson Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 1287, designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 312 East North Avenue in Flora, Illinois, as the “Robert T. Ferguson Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Maryland State Delegate Lena K. Lee Post Office Building:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4107, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1826 Pennsylvania Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the “Maryland State Delegate Lena K. Lee Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Mont and Mark Stephensen Veterans Memorial Post Office Building:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4295, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12760 South Park Avenue in Riverton, Utah, as the “Mont and Mark Stephensen Veterans Memorial Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity 150th Anniversary:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 389, recognizing and honoring the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity.

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**LIHEAP Funding—Cloture Motion:** Senate continued consideration of S. 2320, to make available funds included in the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program for fiscal year 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1665–77**

Pending:

Kyl/Ensign Amendment No. 2899, to make available funds included in the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 for allotments to States for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program for fiscal year 2006. **Page S1665**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Tuesday, March 7, 2006. **Pages S1665–66**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that first-degree amendments in relation to the filed cloture motion be submitted no later than 2:00 p.m., on Monday, March 6, 2006; that, notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXII, a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill occur on Tuesday, March 7, 2006, following a period of morning business and one hour of debate equally divided in relation to this bill. **Page S1757**

**Katrina Emergency Assistance Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 1777, to provide relief for the victims of Hurricane Katrina, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S1757**

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

Dennis Bottorff, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2011.

Robert M. Duncan, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2011.

William B. Sansom, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2009.

Susan Richardson Williams, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2007.

Donald R. DePriest, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2009.

Howard A. Thraikill, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the term prescribed by law. **Page S1757**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page S1680**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S1680–81**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S1678–80**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S1681–S1754**

**Notices of Intent:** **Page S1754**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 1:12 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Monday, March 6, 2006. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S1757.)

### *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at noon on Monday, March 6, 2006.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 6 through March 11, 2006

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate may begin debate on the proposed lobbying reform bill. At 5 p.m., Senate will begin consideration the nominations of Timothy C. Batten, Sr., to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, Thomas E. Johnston, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of West Virginia, and Aida M.

Delgado-Colon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, and at 5:30 p.m., proceed to consecutive votes on confirmation of the nominations.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of S. 2320, LIHEAP Funding bill, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* March 9, to hold hearings to examine the United States Department of Agriculture’s management and oversight of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 10:30 a.m., SR–328A.