

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 1, Ethics Reform.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S709–S782*

**Measures Introduced:** Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 329–340, and S. Res. 33–34. **Page S753**

#### Measures Reported:

S. Res. 32, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

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#### Measures Passed:

**Ethics Reform:** By 96 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 19), Senate passed S. 1, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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#### Adopted:

Vitter/Inhofe Further Modified Amendment No. 9 (to Amendment No. 3), to prohibit Members from having official contact with any spouse of a Member who is a registered lobbyist. **Page S742**

Feinstein (for Ensign) Amendment No. 98 (to Amendment No. 3), to provide for better transparency and enhanced Congressional oversight of spending by clarifying the treatment of matter not committed to the conferees by either House. **Pages S741, S742**

Bond (for Coburn) Amendment No. 51 (to Amendment No. 3), to prohibit Members from requesting earmarks that may financially benefit that Member or immediate family member of that Member. **Page S742**

Feingold Amendment No. 31 (to Amendment No. 3), to prohibit former Members of Congress from engaging in lobbying activities in addition to lobbying contacts during their cooling off period. **Page S742**

Feingold Amendment No. 33 (to Amendment No. 3), to prohibit former Members who are lobby-

ists from using gym and parking privileges made available to Members and former Members.

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Feinstein (for Durbin) Amendment No. 77 (to Amendment No. 3), to require that amendments and instructions accompanying a motion to recommit be copied and provided by the Senator offering them to the desks of the Majority Leader and Minority Leader before being debated. **Pages S742–43**

Obama/Feingold Amendment No. 41 (to Amendment No. 3), to require lobbyists to disclose the candidates, leadership PACs, or political parties for whom they collect or arrange contributions, and the aggregate amount of the contributions collected or arranged. **Pages S741–42**

Sanders Amendment No. 57 (to Amendment No. 3), to require a report by the Commission to Strengthen Confidence in Congress regarding political contributions before and after the enactment of certain laws. **Page S742**

Bennett (for Coleman) Modified Amendment No. 39 (to Amendment No. 3), to require that a publicly available website be established in Congress to allow the public access to records of reported Congressional official travel. **Page S742**

Feinstein/Bennett Amendment No. 99, of a technical nature. **Page S743**

By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 17), Bennett/McConnell Amendment No. 20 (to Amendment No. 3), to strike a provision relating to paid efforts to stimulate grassroots lobbying. **Pages S739–41, S743**

Reid Amendment No. 3, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S744**

#### Rejected:

By 27 yeas to 71 nays (Vote No. 18), Lieberman Amendment No. 30 (to Amendment No. 3), to establish a Senate Office of Public Integrity. **Pages S743–44**

Withdrawn:

DeMint Amendment No. 12 (to Amendment No. 3), to clarify that earmarks added to a conference report that are not considered by the Senate or the House of Representatives are out of scope. **Page S738**

DeMint Amendment No. 14 (to Amendment No. 3), to protect individuals from having their money involuntarily collected and used for lobbying by a labor organization. **Page S738**

Leahy/Pryor Amendment No. 2 (to Amendment No. 3), to give investigators and prosecutors the tools they need to combat public corruption. **Page S738**

Gregg Amendment No. 17 (to Amendment No. 3), to establish a legislative line item veto. **Page S738**

Ensign Amendment No. 24 (to Amendment No. 3), to provide for better transparency and enhanced Congressional oversight of spending by clarifying the treatment of matter not committed to the conferees by either House. **Page S738**

Ensign Modified Amendment No. 25 (to Amendment No. 3), to ensure full funding for the Department of Defense within the regular appropriations process, to limit the reliance of the Department of Defense on supplemental appropriations bills, and to improve the integrity of the Congressional budget process. **Page S738**

Cornyn Amendment No. 26 (to Amendment No. 3), to require full separate disclosure of any earmarks in any bill, joint resolution, report, conference report or statement of managers. **Page S738**

Cornyn Amendment No. 27 (to Amendment No. 3), to require 3 calendar days notice in the Senate before proceeding to any matter. **Page S738**

Bennett (for McCain) Amendment No. 28 (to Amendment No. 3), to provide congressional transparency. **Page S738**

Bennett (for McCain) Amendment No. 29 (to Amendment No. 3), to provide congressional transparency. **Page S738**

Thune Amendment No. 37 (to Amendment No. 3), to require any recipient of a Federal award to disclose all lobbying and political advocacy. **Page S738**

Feinstein/Rockefeller Amendment No. 42 (to Amendment No. 3), to prohibit an earmark from being included in the classified portion of a report accompanying a measure unless the measure includes a general program description, funding level, and the name of the sponsor of that earmark. **Page S738**

Feingold Amendment No. 34 (to Amendment No. 3), to require Senate campaigns to file their FEC reports electronically. **Page S738**

Durbin Amendment No. 36 (to Amendment No. 3), to require that amendments and motions to recommit with instructions be copied and provided by

the clerk to the desks of the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader before being debated. **Page S738**

Cornyn Amendment No. 45 (to Amendment No. 3), to require 72-hour public availability of legislative matters before consideration. **Page S738**

Cornyn Amendment No. 46 (to Amendment No. 2), to deter public corruption. **Page S738**

Bond (for Coburn) Amendment No. 48 (to Amendment No. 3), to require all recipients of Federal earmarks, grants, subgrants, and contracts to disclose amounts spent on lobbying and a description of all lobbying activities. **Page S738**

Bond (for Coburn) Amendment No. 49 (to Amendment No. 3), to require all congressional earmark requests to be submitted to the appropriate Senate committee on a standardized form. **Page S738**

Bond (for Coburn) Amendment No. 50 (to Amendment No. 3), to provide disclosure of lobbyist gifts and travel instead of banning them as proposed. **Page S738**

Nelson (NE) Amendment No. 47 (to Amendment No. 3), to help encourage fiscal responsibility in the earmarking process. **Page S738**

Reid (for Lieberman) Amendment No. 43 (to Amendment No. 3), to require disclosure of earmark lobbying by lobbyists. **Page S738**

Reid (for Casey) Amendment No. 56 (to Amendment No. 3), to eliminate the K Street Project by prohibiting the wrongful influencing of a private entity's employment decisions or practices in exchange for political access or favors. **Page S738**

Bennett (for Coburn) Amendment No. 59 (to Amendment No. 3), to provide disclosure of lobbyist gifts and travel instead of banning them as proposed. **Page S738**

Feingold Amendment No. 63 (to Amendment No. 3), to increase the cooling off period for senior staff to 2 years and to prohibit former Members of Congress from engaging in lobbying activities in addition to lobbying contacts during their cooling off period. **Page S738**

Feingold Amendment No. 64 (to Amendment No. 3), to prohibit lobbyists and entities that retain or employ lobbyists from throwing lavish parties honoring Members at party conventions. **Page S738**

Feingold/Obama Amendment No. 76 (to Amendment No. 3), to clarify certain aspects of the lobbyist contribution reporting provision. **Page S738**

Nelson (NE)/Salazar Amendment No. 71 (to Amendment No. 3), to extend the laws and rules passed in this bill to the executive and judicial branches of government. **Page S738**

**Joint Committee on Taxation:** The Chair announced on behalf of the Committee on Finance, that pursuant to section 8002 of title 26, U.S. Code, the following Senators were designated as members

of the Joint Committee on Taxation: Senators Baucus, Rockefeller, Conrad, Grassley, and Hatch.

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**Funding Resolution—Referral:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Rules and Administration be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 32, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, and be referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

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**Fair Minimum Wage—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, January 22, 2007, Senate begin consideration of H.R. 2, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

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#### Appointments:

**Congressional Budget Office:** The Chair announced on behalf of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, pursuant to the provisions of Section 201(a)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, have appointed Dr. Peter R. Orszag as Director of the Congressional Budget Office effective immediately for the term expiring January 3, 2011.

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**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to foreign terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-1)

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

Mario Mancuso, of New York, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration.

William B. Wood, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

Paul J. Bonicelli, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Patrick P. Shen, of Maryland, to be Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices for a term of four years.

19 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.  
9 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army.

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#### Messages From the House:

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—19) Pages S743, S744, S746

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:00 a.m., and adjourned at 9:35 p.m., until 1:00 p.m., on Monday, January 22, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S781-82.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### IRAQ

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on intelligence assessments on the situation in Iraq from David F. Gordon, Vice Chairman, National Intelligence Council; Lieutenant General Michael D. Maples, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense; Randall M. Fort, Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research; and Peter A. Clement, Deputy Director of Intelligence for Strategic Plans, Central Intelligence Agency.

### TRANSIT SECURITY

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the state of transit security, focusing on safeguarding America's bus, rail, and ferry systems, after receiving testimony from Mayor Dannel P. Malloy, Stamford, Connecticut, on behalf of the U.S. Conference of Mayors; William W. Millar, American Public Transportation Association, and Warren S. George, Amalgamated Transit Union, both of Washington, D.C.; Auerilio Rojo Garrido, Metro Madrid and Secretary General, Madrid, Spain, on behalf of the Association of Latin American Metros and Subways; and Tim O'Toole, London Underground, London, United Kingdom.

### FEDERAL BUDGET CHALLENGES

**Committee on the Budget:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine long-term economic and federal