

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 67, Adjournment Resolution.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2185–S2220

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 676–682, and S.J. Res. 3. **Page S2204**

Measures Passed:

Adjournment Resolution: By 47 yeas to 33 nays (Vote No. 52), Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 67, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate. **Pages S2199–S2200**

Mickey Mantle Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 171, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 Commerce Street in Commerce, Oklahoma, as the “Mickey Mantle Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S2217–18**

Gerald R. Ford, Jr. Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 49, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 North Frontage Road West in Vail, Colorado, as the “Gerald R. Ford, Jr. Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S2217–18**

Gale W. McGee Post Office: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 335, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 152 North 5th Street in Laramie, Wyoming, as the “Gale W. McGee Post Office”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S2217–18**

Lane Evans Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 521, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2633 11th Street in Rock Island, Illinois, as the “Lane Evans Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S2217–18**

Scipio A. Jones Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 433, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1700 Main Street in Little Rock, Arkansas, as the “Scipio A. Jones Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S2217–18**

Sergeant Lea Robert Mills Brooksville Aviation Branch Post Office: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 514, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 16150 Aviation Loop Drive in Brooksville, Florida, as the “Sergeant Lea Robert Mills Brooksville Aviation Branch Post Office”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S2217–18**

Sergeant Henry Ybarra III Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 577, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3903 South Congress Avenue in Austin, Texas, as the “Sergeant Henry Ybarra III Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S2217–18**

Honoring Former Senator John H. Glenn: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 81, recognizing the 45th anniversary of John Hershel Glenn, Jr.’s historic achievement in becoming the first United States astronaut to orbit the Earth, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S2218–19**

Recognizing the African-American Spiritual: Senate agreed to S. Res. 69, recognizing the African-American spiritual as a national treasure. **Page S2219**

Iraq Sense of Congress: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 574, to express the sense of Congress on Iraq. **Pages S2185–99**

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

By 56 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 51), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having

voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S2199**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn.

Surface Transportation and Rail Security Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 184, to provide improved rail and surface transportation security. **Page S2217**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of 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, February 27, 2007. **Page S2217**

Authority for Committees: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, all committees were authorized to file legislative and executive reports on Thursday, February 22, 2007, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. **Page S2219**

Authorizing Leadership To Make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate pro tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page S2219**

Appointments:

United States Commission on Civil Rights: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore and upon the recommendation of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Section 2(b) of Public Law 98-183, as amended by Public Law 103-419, appointed Gail

Heriot, of California, to the United States Commission on Civil Rights. **Pages S2219-20**

Japan-United States Friendship Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 94-118, Section 4(a)(3), appointed Senator Murkowski to the Japan-United States Friendship Commission. **Pages S2219-20**

United States-China Economic Security Review Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 106-398, as amended by Public Law 108-7, in accordance with the qualifications specified under section 1238(b)(3)(E) of Public Law 106-398, and upon the recommendation of the Republican Leader, in consultation with the chairmen of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Finance, appointed the following individual to the United States-China Economic Security Review Commission: Dennis Shea of Virginia, for a term expiring December 31, 2008, vice Fred Thompson. **Pages S2219-20**

Measures Referred:

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Measures Read the First Time:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—52) **Page S2199**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, on Saturday, February 17, 2007, and adjourned pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 67, at 3:27 p.m., until 2 p.m., on Monday, February 26, 2007.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 2007, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of H. Con. Res. 67, in which case the House shall stand adjourned until 2

p.m. on Tuesday, February 27, 2007 pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.