

largest anti-poverty entitlement program of the Federal Government, from being claimed by Y temporary workers or illegal aliens given status by this Act until they adjust to legal permanent resident status. **Pages S6620–22**

Lieberman Amendment No. 1191 (to Amendment No. 1150), to provide safeguards against faulty asylum procedures and to improve conditions of detention. **Pages S6623–24**

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

Graham (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 1168 (to Amendment No. 1150), to provide local officials and the Secretary of Homeland Security greater involvement in decisions regarding the location of border fencing, previously agreed to on Wednesday, May 23, 2007, was modified by unanimous consent. **Page S6592**

Subsequent to its adoption, a unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Akaka Amendment No. 1186 (to Amendment No. 1150) (listed above) be modified. **Pages S6583, S6601**

Text of Amendment No. 1150 is printed on pages S6625–87.

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 25, 2007. **Page S6924**

U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans’ Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act: By 80 yeas to 14 nays (Vote No. 181), Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2206, making emergency supplemental appropriations and additional supplemental appropriations for agricultural and other emergency assistance for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S6795–S6823**

Iraqi and Afghani Translators and Interpreters Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 1104, to increase the number of Iraqi and Afghani translators and interpreters who may be admitted to the United States as special immigrants, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S6924**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Preston M. Geren, of Texas, to be Secretary of the Army.

Diane G. Farrell, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2011.

Henrietta Holsman Fore, of Nevada, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Michael W. Michalak, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

James W. Holsinger, Jr., of Kentucky, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service for a term of four years.

William J. Powell, of West Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia.

Amul R. Thapar, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

Robert Charles Tapella, of Virginia, to be Public Printer.

2 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration nominations in the rank of admiral. **Page S6925**

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—181) **Pages S6595, S6596, S6604, S6623, S6624–25, S6823**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:43 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, May 25, 2007. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S6924.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AUTHORIZATION—NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill entitled “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008”;

An original bill entitled “Department of Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008”;

An original bill entitled “Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008”; and

An original bill entitled “Department of Energy National Security Act for Fiscal Year 2008”.

Also, committee received a report from the Select Committee on Intelligence on the proposed Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Charles Darwin Snelling, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Specter, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

COAL GASIFICATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine opportunities and challenges associated with coal gasification, including coal-to-liquids and industrial gasification, after receiving testimony from Antonia Herzog, Natural Resources Defense Council, Washington, D.C.; William Fulkerson, University of Tennessee Institute for a Secure and Sustainable Environment, Knoxville; James T. Bartis, RAND Corporation, Arlington, Virginia; David L. Denton, Eastman Gasification Services Company, Kingsport, Tennessee; and Jay A. Ratafia-Brown, Science Applications International Corporation, McLean, Virginia.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF GLOBAL WARMING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine potential impacts of global warming on recreation and the recreation industry, after receiving testimony from Daniel Scott, University of Waterloo Department of Geography, Ontario, Canada; Tom Campion, Zumiez, Inc., Seattle, Washington; Michael Berry, National Ski Areas Association, Lakewood, Colorado; Bryant M. Watson, Vermont Association of Snow Travelers, Inc., Barre Vermont; Betty Huskins, Southeast Tourism Policy Council, Fletcher, North Carolina; Derrick A. Crandall, American Recreation Coalition (ARC), and Barry W. McCahill, SUV Owners of America, both of Washington, D.C.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY TAX INCENTIVES

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Energy, Natural Resources, and Infrastructure concluded a hearing to examine energy efficiency, focusing on tax incentives for reducing consumption, after receiving

testimony from Kateri Callahan, Alliance to Save Energy, Dan Delurey, Demand Response and Advanced Metering Coalition, and Chris Edwards, Cato Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; Stuart Thorn, Southwire Company, Carrollton, Georgia, on behalf of the National Electrical Manufacturers Association; Sean Casten, Recycled Energy Development, Westmont, Illinois; and Douglas Smith, NanoPore Incorporated, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Con. Res. 25, condemning the recent violent actions of the Government of Zimbabwe against peaceful opposition party activists and members of civil society;

S. Res. 110, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the 30th anniversary of ASEAN-United States dialogue and relationship;

S. Res. 211, expressing the profound concerns of the Senate regarding the transgression against freedom of thought and expression that is being carried out in Venezuela; and

The nominations of Phillip Carter, III, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, R. Niels Marquardt, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Madagascar, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Union of Comoros, Janet E. Garvey, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cameroon, Dell L. Dailey, of South Dakota, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large, Mark P. Lagon, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking, with the rank of Ambassador at Large, James K. Glassman, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, Cameron R. Hume, of New York, to be Ambassador of Indonesia, James R. Keith, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Malaysia, Miriam K. Hughes, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia, Ravic Rolf Huso, of Hawaii, to be Ambassador to the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, and Hans G. Klemm, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, and promotion lists in the Foreign Service.

FEDERAL REAL PROPERTY

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine federal real property, focusing on the property management problems highlighted in a recent Government Accountability Office report, after receiving testimony from Clay Johnson, III, Deputy Director

for Management, Office of Management and Budget; Mark L. Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure, Government Accountability Office; Boyd K. Rutherford, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Administration; David L. Winstead, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; Phillip W. Grone, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations and Environment); and Robert J. Henke, Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Management.

LOUISIANA'S ROAD HOME PROGRAM

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery concluded a hearing to examine issues relative to residents of Louisiana affected by Hurricane Katrina or Rita, focusing on the goals, costs, management and impediments facing Louisiana's Road Home Program, after receiving testimony from Donald E. Powell, Federal Coordinator for Gulf Coast Rebuilding, and David I. Maurstad, Assistant Administrator, Mitigation, Federal Emergency Management Agency, both of the Department of Homeland Security; Nelson R. Bregon, Assistant Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Disaster Policy and Response; Andrew D. Kopplin, Louisiana Recovery Authority, and Susan Elkins, Louisiana Office of Community Development, both of Baton Rouge; Isabel Reiff, ICF International, Inc., Fairfax, Virginia,

on behalf of the Louisiana Road Home Program; Connie Uddo, St. Paul's Homecoming Center/Beacon of Hope Resource Center, Lakeview, Louisiana; and Debbie DeGruy-Gordon, Chimney Wood Homeowners Association, Frank Silvestri, Citizens' Road Home Action Team, Frank A. Trapani, New Orleans Metropolitan Association of Realtors, and Walter Thomas, all of New Orleans, Louisiana.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following items:

S. 1327, to create and extend certain temporary district court judgeships;

H. Con. Res. 76, honoring the 50th anniversary of the International Geophysical Year and its past contributions to space research, and looking forward to future accomplishments; and

The nominations of Janet T. Neff and Paul Lewis Maloney, each to be a United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, and Liam O'Grady, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.