

By 65 yeas 28 nays (Vote No. EX. 97), David W. Ogden, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General.

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By 72 yeas 20 nays (Vote No. EX. 98), Thomas John Perrelli, of Virginia, to be Associate Attorney General.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Thomas L. Strickland, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife.

Alexander Vershbow, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense. Page S3096

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total 98) Pages S3051, S3054

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 6:58 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 16, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3096.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine sustainable transportation solutions, focusing on investing in transit to meet 21st century challenges, after receiving testimony from Raymond H. LaHood, Secretary of Transportation; Joseph F. Marie, Connecticut Department of Transportation, West Hartford, on behalf of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials; Mayor John Hickenlooper, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of the United States Conference of Mayors; and Beverly Scott, Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority, Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the American Public Transportation Association.

BUDGET AND REVENUE PROPOSALS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's fiscal year 2010 budget and revenue proposals, after receiving testimony from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: On Wednesday, March 11, 2009, committee announced the following subcommittee assignments for the 111th Congress:

Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security: Senators Dorgan (Chair), Inouye, Kerry, Boxer, Nelson (FL), Cantwell, Lautenberg, Pryor, McCaskill, Klobuchar, Warner, Begich, Rockefeller (ex officio), DeMint, Snowe, Ensign, Thune, Wicker, Isakson, Vitter, Brownback, Martinez, Johanns, and Hutchison (ex officio).

Subcommittee on Communications and Technology: Senators Kerry (Chair), Inouye, Dorgan, Nelson (FL), Cantwell, Lautenberg, Pryor, McCaskill, Klobuchar, Udall (NM), Warner, Begich, Rockefeller (ex officio), Ensign, Snowe, DeMint, Thune, Wicker, Isakson, Vitter, Brownback, Martinez, Johanns, and Hutchison (ex officio).

Subcommittee on Competitiveness, Innovation, and Export Promotion: Senators Klobuchar (Chair), Kerry, Dorgan, McCaskill, Udall (NM), Warner, Begich, Rockefeller (ex officio), Martinez, Ensign, DeMint, Thune, Brownback, Johanns, and Hutchison (ex officio).

Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance: Senators Pryor (Chair), Dorgan, Boxer, Nelson (FL), McCaskill, Klobuchar, Udall (NM), Rockefeller (ex officio), Wicker, Snowe, DeMint, Thune, Isakson, Vitter, and Hutchison (ex officio).

Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard: Senators Cantwell (Chair), Inouye, Kerry, Boxer, Lautenberg, Begich, Rockefeller (ex officio), Snowe, Wicker, Isakson, Vitter, Martinez, and Hutchison (ex officio).

Subcommittee on Science and Space: Senators Nelson (FL) (Chair), Inouye, Kerry, Boxer, Pryor, Udall (NM), Warner, Rockefeller (ex officio), Vitter, Snowe, Ensign, Thune, Isakson, Johanns, and Hutchison (ex officio).

Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine: Senators Lautenberg (Chair), Inouye, Kerry, Dorgan, Boxer, Cantwell, Pryor, Udall, Warner, Begich, Rockefeller (ex officio), Thune, Snowe, Ensign, DeMint, Wicker, Isakson, Vitter, Brownback, Johanns, and Hutchison (ex officio).

CLIMATE CHANGE RESPONSE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine climate science, focusing on empowering our response to climate change, after receiving testimony from Sean Dilweg, Wisconsin Insurance Division, Madison, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Tim Killeen, National Science Foundation, Arlington, VA; Katharine Jacobs, Arizona Water Institute, Tucson; and Frank Alix, Powerspan Corporation, Portsmouth, NH.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of John P. Holdren, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and Jane Lubchenco, of Oregon, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, both of the Department of Commerce, and routine promotion lists in the Coast Guard.

ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION LINES SITING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine proposed legislation regarding siting of electricity transmission lines, including increased federal siting authority and regional transmission planning, after receiving testimony from Senator Reid; Jon Wellinchoff, Acting Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Tony Clark, North Dakota Public Service Commission, Bismarck, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; Reid Dechton, Energy Future Coalition, Washington, DC; Joseph L. Welch, ITC Holdings Corporation, Novi, MI; Graham Edwards, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operation, Inc., Carmel, IN; James A. Dickenson, JEA, Jacksonville, FL, on behalf of the Large Public Power Council; and Michael G. Morris, American Electric Power, Columbus, OH.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of David J. Hayes, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary

of the Interior, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Bayh, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

HEALTH CARE REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine workforce issues in health care reform, focusing on assessing the present and preparing for the future, after receiving testimony from David C. Goodman, Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy and Clinical Practice, Hanover, NH; Allan H. Goroll, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA; and Fitzhugh Mullan, George Washington University, and Steven A. Wartman, Association of Academic Health Centers, both of Washington, DC.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Ronald Kirk, of Texas, to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

INDIAN AFFAIRS BUDGET

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2010 for tribal priorities, after receiving testimony from Jacqueline Johnson, National Congress of American Indians, Robert B. Cook, National Indian Education Association, and Cheryl Parish, Bay Mills Housing Authority, on behalf of the National American Indian Housing Authority, all of Washington, DC; and Jessica Burger, National Indian Health Board, Manistee, MI.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 49, to help Federal prosecutors and investigators combat public corruption by strengthening and clarifying the law, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of David S. Kris, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 55 public bills, H.R. 1454–1508; and 11 resolutions, H.J.

Res. 40; H. Con. Res. 71–72; and H. Res. 237–244, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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