

Senate that the Secretary of State should redesignate North Korea as a state sponsor of terrorism.

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Withdrawn:

By 58 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 237), Thune Amendment No. 1618, to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to allow citizens who have concealed carry permits from the State in which they reside to carry concealed firearms in another State that grants concealed carry permits, if the individual complies with the laws of the State. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, be withdrawn.)

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Pending:

Kyl Amendment No. 1760, to pursue United States objectives in bilateral arms control with the Russian Federation.

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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 Friday, July 24, 2009.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, July 23, 2009; provided that upon disposition of Kyl Amendment No. 1760 (listed above), it be in order for Senator Lieberman to offer Amendment No. 1627, and a side-by-side or second-degree amendment be offered by Senator Bayh, to Amendment No. 1627.

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**Impeachment of Former Judge Samuel B. Kent:** Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, resumed consideration of the impeachment proceedings of former Judge Samuel B. Kent, of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, taking the following action:

The Senate received the managers appointed by the House of Representatives to continue proceedings on behalf of the House concerning the impeachment against former Judge Samuel B. Kent, of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, and the oath was administered to those Senators who were not present when the articles of impeachment were presented, by the Acting President pro tempore.

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The Majority Leader entered a motion that the articles of impeachment against former Judge Samuel B. Kent, Judge, the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, be dismissed, the Secretary of the Senate was directed to notify the House of Representatives, and the motion was agreed to.

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Subsequently, the Court of Impeachment stands adjourned sine die.

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

Jeffrey Alan Goldstein, of New York, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Alberto M. Fernandez, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea.

Regina M. Benjamin, of Alabama, 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.

Routine lists in the Navy.

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**Quorum Calls:**

One quorum call was taken today. (Total–3)

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—239)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:42 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 23, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7865.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### GLOBAL WARMING LEGISLATION

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the role of agriculture and forestry in global warming legislation, after receiving testimony from Thomas Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture; Lisa P. Jackson, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; John Holdren, Director, White House Office of Science and Technology; Roger Johnson, National Farmers Union, Turtle Lake, North Dakota; Bob Stallman, American Farm Bureau Federation, Columbus, Texas; Josiah Pierce, American Forest Foundation, Baldwin, Maine, on behalf of the Forest Climate

Working Group; and Jason Grumet, Bipartisan Policy Center, Washington, DC.

### SEMIANNUAL MONETARY POLICY REPORT TO THE CONGRESS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the semiannual monetary policy report to the Congress, after receiving testimony from Ben Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Deborah Matz, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Johnson, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

### ADVERTISING TRENDS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine advertising trends and consumer protection, after receiving testimony from David Vladeck, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Sally Greenberg, National Consumers League, and Urvashi Rangan, Consumers Union of United States, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; C. Lee Peeler, National Advertising Review Council, New York, New York, on behalf of the Council of Better Business Bureaus; Greg Renker, Guthy-Renker, Palm Desert, California; and Jon Congdon, Product Partners LLC, Santa Monica, California.

### CHILDREN'S TELEVISION ACT

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Children's Television Act for a digital media age, after receiving testimony from Julius Genachowski, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission; Gary E. Knell, Sesame Workshop, and Cyra Zarghami, Nickelodeon and the MTV Networks Kids & Family Group, both of New York, New York; Sandra L. Calvert, Georgetown University Children's Digital Media Center, Washington, D.C.; John Lawson, ION Media Networks, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia, on behalf of The National Association of Broadcasters; and James P. Steyer, Common Sense Media, San Francisco, California.

### NATIONAL PARK LEGISLATION

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to

examine S. 635, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 715, to establish a pilot program to provide for the preservation and rehabilitation of historic lighthouses, S. 742, to expand the boundary of the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site in the State of Georgia, to redesignate the unit as a National Historical Park, S. 1270, to modify the boundary of the Oregon Caves National Monument, S. 1418 and H.R. 2330, bills to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing Camp Hale as a unit of the National Park System, and H.R. 2430, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area, after receiving testimony from Daniel N. Wenk, Acting Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Joel Holtrop, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, United States Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Greg Walter, Jefferson State Financial Group, LLC, Cave Junction, Oregon; and Kirk L. Lindquist, Michigan Lighthouse Project, Okemos.

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Samuel D. Hamilton, of Mississippi, to be Director, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Cochran, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Samuel Louis Kaplan, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco, who was introduced by Senators Klobuchar and Franken, James B. Smith, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, who was introduced by Senator Shaheen, Miguel Humberto Diaz, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Holy See, who was introduced by Senator Klobuchar, Fay Hartog-Levin, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, who was introduced by Senator Durbin, and Stephen J. Rapp, of Iowa, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues, who was introduced by Senators Grassley and Harkin, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

**FOREIGN AID AND DEVELOPMENT**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine foreign aid and development in a new era, after receiving testimony from Peter McPherson, former Administrator, USAID, on behalf of the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities, and Reverend David Beckmann, Bread for the World, on behalf of the Modernizing Foreign Assistance Network, both of Washington, D.C.; and Jeffrey D. Sachs, Columbia University Earth Institute, New York, New York.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Anthony W. Miller, of California, to be Deputy Secretary, and Thelma Melendez de Santa Ana, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, both of the Department of Education, and Harry R. Hoglander, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board.

Also, committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Subcommittee on Children and Families:* Senators Dodd (Chair), Bingaman, Murray, Reed, Sanders, Brown, Casey, Hagan, Merkley, Kennedy (Ex Officio), Alexander, Gregg, McCain, Hatch, Murkowski, Coburn, Roberts, and Enzi (Ex Officio).

*Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety:* Senators Murray (Chair), Dodd, Harkin, Mikulski, Brown, Hagan, Merkley, Franken, Kennedy (Ex Officio), Isakson, Gregg, Burr, McCain, Hatch, Murkowski, and Enzi (Ex Officio).

*Subcommittee on Retirement and Aging:* Senators Mikulski (Chair), Harkin, Bingaman, Reed, Sanders, Casey, Franken, Kennedy (Ex Officio), Burr, Gregg, Alexander, Isakson, Coburn, and Enzi (Ex Officio).

**JOB CREATION AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine job creation and foreign investment in the United States, focusing on assessing the EB-5 Regional Center Program, after receiving testimony from Robert Kruszka, Deputy Chief, and Michael T. Dougherty, former Ombudsman, both of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security; Stephen Yale-Loehr, Cornell University Law School, Ithaca, New York, on behalf of Invest In the USA; William J. Stenger, Jay Peak Resort, Newport, Vermont; and Ron Drinkard, Alabama Center for Foreign Investment, Montgomery.

**METAL THEFT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs concluded a hearing to examine metal theft, focusing on law enforcement challenges, after receiving testimony from Chief Mona Dohman, Maple Grove Police Department, Maple Grove, on behalf of the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association; Frank Coffey, Qwest Communications, Denver, Colorado; Aaron D. Kennard, National Sheriffs' Association, Alexandria, Virginia; Mark Lewon, Utah Metal Works Inc., Salt Lake City; and David M. Sparby, Northern States Power Company-Minnesota, Minneapolis.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee concluded a nomination hearing to examine the nominations of Raymond M. Jefferson, of Hawaii, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, and Joan M. Evans, of Oregon, to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Congressional and Legislative Affairs, who was introduced by Senator Wyden, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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# House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 15 public bills, H.R. 3286–3287, 3289–3292, 3294–3302; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 667–668, 670–671 were introduced. **Pages H8584–85**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H8585–86**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–218).

H. Res. 669, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3288) making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and