

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9895–S9942

Measures Introduced: Five bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1722–1726, and S. Res. 290–293. **Page S9930**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution, FY 2010”. (S. Rept. No. 111–83)

S. 1451, to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide for modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–82) **Page S9930**

Measures Passed:

Majority Party’s Membership on Certain Committees: Senate agreed to S. Res. 290, to constitute the majority party’s membership on certain committees for the One Hundred Eleventh Congress, or until their successors are chosen. **Page S9910**

Radio Free Asia Extension: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3593, to amend the United States International Broadcasting Act of 1994 to extend by one year the operation of Radio Free Asia, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9941**

United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy Reauthorization: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2131, to amend the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 to reauthorize the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9941**

National Cybersecurity Awareness Month: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 285, supporting the goals and ideals of national cy-

bersecurity awareness month and raising awareness and enhancing the state of cybersecurity in the United States, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Honoring Former Senator Henry Louis Bellmon: Senate agreed to S. Res. 293, relative to the death of Henry Louis Bellmon, former United States Senator for the State of Oklahoma. **Page S9942**

Measures Considered:

Department of Defense Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 3326, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S9906–10, S9910–18**

Adopted:

Johanns Amendment No. 2484, prohibiting use of funds to fund the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN). **Page S9912**

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 2558, to strike amounts available for procurement of C–17 aircraft in excess of the amount requested by the President in the budget for fiscal year 2010 and to make such amounts available instead for operation and maintenance in accordance with amounts requested by the President in that budget and for Operation and Maintenance, Army, for overseas contingency operations. **Pages S9906–07, S9916–18**

Legislative Branch Appropriations Act Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at approximately 11 a.m., on Wednesday, September 30, 2009, Senate begin consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2918, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010; that all debate time until 4:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled between Senators Nelson (NE) and Murkowski, or their designees; provided that if points of order are raised, any vote on the motions to waive occur beginning at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 30, 2009, and that no amendments be in

order to the motions; provided further, that following disposition of the points of order, and if the motions to waive are successful, Senate then vote on adoption of the conference report, with two minutes of debate, equally divided and controlled prior to each vote.

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Department of Defense Authorization Act Conferees—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that with respect to the conferees on the Department of Defense Authorization Act, Senators Kirk and LeMieux be added to replace the late Senator Kennedy and recently retired Senator Martinez.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. EX. 299), Jeffrey L. Viken, of South Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Dakota.

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Jenny A. Durkan, of Washington, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington for the term of four years.

Florence T. Nakakuni, of Hawaii, to be United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii for the term of four years.

Deborah K. R. Gilg, of Nebraska, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska for the term of four years.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Gladys Commons, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Harris D. Sherman, of Colorado, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment.

Harris D. Sherman, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Steven L. Jacques, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Alan D. Bersin, of California, to be Commissioner of Customs, Department of Homeland Security.

Michael C. Polt, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia.

Adele Logan Alexander, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2014.

Victoria Angelica Espinel, of the District of Columbia, to be Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator, Executive Office of the President.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Harris D. Sherman, of California, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and

Environment, which was sent to the Senate on September 10, 2009.

Harris D. Sherman, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, which was sent to the Senate on September 10, 2009.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—299) Page S9921

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11:30 a.m. and adjourned, in accordance with S. Res. 293, at 6:50 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 30, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9942.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

PRIMARY EDUCATION IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine the use, impact, and accomplishments of Federal appropriations provided to improve the education of children in the District of Columbia, after receiving testimony from Mary M. Levy, Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs, Robert Cane, Friends of Choice in Urban Schools, Patricia Weitzel-O'Neill, Archdiocese of Washington, and Gregory M. Cork, Washington Scholarship Fund, all of Washington, D.C.

PRUDENTIAL BANK SUPERVISION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine strengthening and streamlining Prudential Bank supervision, focusing on how regulation has evolved and varying regulatory systems used during the financial crisis, after receiving testimony from Richard J. Hillman,