

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8659–S8728

Measures Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4018–4022, and S. Res. 698–699. **Page S8713**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 5811, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe. (S. Rept. No. 111–359)

S. 2782, to provide personal jurisdiction in causes of action against contractors of the United States performing contracts abroad with respect to members of the Armed Forces, civilian employees of the United States, and United States citizen employees of companies performing work for the United States in connection with contractor activities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8712–13**

Measures Passed:

Ray Daves Airport Traffic Control Tower: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5591, to designate the airport traffic control tower located at Spokane International Airport in Spokane, Washington, as the “Ray Daves Airport Traffic Control Tower”, and the bill was then passed. **Page S8690**

Pedestrian Safety Enhancement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. 841, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to study and establish a motor vehicle safety standard that provides for a means of alerting blind and other pedestrians of motor vehicle operation, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S8690**

Wyden (for Kerry) Amendment No. 4750, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8690**

National Foundation on Physical Fitness and Sports Establishment Act: Senate passed S. 1275, to establish a National Foundation on Physical Fitness

and Sports to carry out activities to support and supplement the mission of the President’s Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8690–92**

Authorizing Testimony and Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 699, to authorize testimony and legal representation in *City of St. Paul v. Irene Victoria Andrews, Bruce Jerome Berry, John Joseph Braun, David Eugene Luce, and Elizabeth Ann McKenzie*. **Page S8692**

Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking Deterrence and Victims Support Act: Senate passed S. 2925, to establish a grant program to benefit victims of sex trafficking, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8692–S8701**

Wyden Amendment No. 4751, to strengthen the reporting requirement. **Pages S8695–96**

Wyden Amendment No. 4752, to make technical corrections. **Page S8696**

Measures Considered:

Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3992, to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain alien students who are long-term United States residents and who entered the United States as children. **Page S8662**

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

By 59 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 268), Senate tabled the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S8668**

Subsequently, a unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the previously scheduled vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, be vitiated. **Page S8668**

James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 847, to amend the Public Health Service Act to extend and improve

protections and services to individuals directly impacted by the terrorist attack in New York City on September 11, 2001. **Pages S8668–69**

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

By 57 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 269), 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 S8669**

Subsequently, Senator Reid entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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National Defense Authorization Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3454, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, after agreeing to the motion to proceed to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S8680–83**

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

By 57 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 270), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having not voted in the affirmative, Senate upon reconsideration rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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House Messages:

Airport and Airway Extension Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 4853, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8701–08**

Withdrawn:

Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 4727 (to the House amendment to the Senate amendment), to change the enactment date. **Page S8701**

Pending:

Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid/McConnell Amendment No. 4753 (to the

House amendment to the Senate amendment), in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8702**

Reid Amendment No. 4754 (to Amendment No. 4753), to change the enactment date. **Page S8702**

Reid motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 4755, to provide for a study. **Page S8702**

Reid Amendment No. 4756 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 4755), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 4757 (to Amendment No. 4756), of a perfecting nature. **Page S8702**

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

By 65 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 271), Senate agreed to the motion to table the Reid motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 4729, to provide for a study.

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Reid Amendment No. 4730 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 4729), of a perfecting nature, fell when Senate agreed to the motion to table the Reid motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 4729, (listed above).

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Reid Amendment No. 4731 (to Amendment No. 4730), of a perfecting nature, fell when Reid Amendment No. 4730 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 4729), (listed above) fell. **Page S8701**

Reid Amendment No. 4727 (to the House amendment to the Senate amendment), to change the enactment date, fell when Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 4727 (to the House amendment to the Senate amendment), was withdrawn. **Pages S8701, S8702**

Reid Amendment No. 4728 (to Amendment No. 4727), of a perfecting nature, fell when Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 4727 (to the House amendment to the Senate amendment) was withdrawn. **Page S8701**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid/McConnell Amendment No. 4753 (to the House amendment to the Senate amendment), (listed above) and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, December 9, 2010, a vote on cloture will occur at 3 p.m. on Monday, December 13, 2010.

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Appointments:

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 104–191, appointed the following individual to the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics for a four-year term: Dr. Raj Chanderraj of Nevada vice Dr. Richard K. Harding of South Carolina. **Page S8692**

Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Aaron Paul Dworkin, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2014. **Page S8728**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—271) **Pages S8668, S8669, S8683, S8702**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:23 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, December 10, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8727.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Ramona Emilia Romero, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Casey, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

CREDIT UNIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the state of the credit union industry, after receiving testimony from Deborah Matz, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration.

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Joseph A. Smith, Jr., of North Carolina, to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Hagan and Burr, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Carolyn W. Colvin, of Maryland, to be Deputy Commissioner of Social Security, Social Security Administration, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Cardin, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Sue Kathrine Brown, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Montenegro, Joseph M. Torsella, of Pennsylvania, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, who was introduced by Senator Casey, David Lee Carden, of New York, to be Representative to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, Pamela L. Spratlen, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kyrgyz Republic, and Daniel L. Shields III, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam, all of the Department of State, and Eric G. Postel, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 6508–6515; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 103 and H. Res. 1758, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 476, to authorize funds to prevent housing discrimination through the use of nationwide testing, to increase funds for the Fair Housing Initiatives Program, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–678).

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Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Taxpayer Assistance Act of 2010: Concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 4994, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce taxpayer burdens and enhance taxpayer protections, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 409 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 626.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:41 a.m. and reconvened at 12:45 p.m.

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Point of Personal Privilege: Representative Waters rose to a point of personal privilege and was recognized.

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Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, December 7th:

Access to Criminal History Records for State Sentencing Commissions Act of 2010: H.R. 6412, to amend title 28, United States Code, to require the Attorney General to share criminal records with State sentencing commissions, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 371 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 627.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. on Monday, December 13th, and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 14th for morning hour debate.

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Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Waters announced her intent to offer a privileged resolution.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages S8265–66.

Senate Referral: S. 3167 was held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8274 and H8275–76. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Alzheimer’s Disease: The Ongoing Challenges.” Testimony was heard from Marcelle Morrison-Bogorad, Director, Division of Neuroscience, National Institute on Aging, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

CIVIL LIBERTIES AND NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties held a hearing on Civil Liberties and National Security. Testimony was heard from Thomas R. Pickering, former Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State, and former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations; Bruce Fein, former Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—WIKILEAKS UPDATE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Update on WikiLeaks Unauthorized Disclosures. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Friday, December 10

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Monday, December 13

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will be in a period of morning business with Senator Sanders recognized to speak at 10:15 a.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: The House will meet in pro forma session at 10 a.m.

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