

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—227) **Pages S8484, S8485**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:23 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 13, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8492.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 3632–3637; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 490, 492 were introduced. **Pages H8727–28**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H8728**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 313, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify that persons who enter into a conspiracy within the United States to possess or traffic illegal controlled substances outside the United States, or engage in conduct within the United States to aid or abet drug trafficking outside the United States, may be criminally prosecuted in the United States, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–324 Pt. 1);

H.R. 1264, to designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the “M.D. Anderson Plaza” and to authorize the placement of a historical/identification marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson (H. Rept. 112–325);

H.R. 2668, to designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the “Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station” (H. Rept. 112–326);

H.R. 2167, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to change the threshold number of shareholders for required registration under that Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–327);

H. Res. 491, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3630) to provide incentives for the creation of jobs, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–328); and Conference report on H.R. 1540, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–329). **Pages H8356–H8726, H8727**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Denham to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8323**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:01 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H8323**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 277 yeas to 74 nays with 2 voting “present,” Roll No. 915. **Pages H8341–42**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:04 p.m. and reconvened at 4:15 p.m. **Page H8324**

Late Report: Agreed that the managers on the part of the House have until midnight tonight, December 12th, to file the conference report to accompany H.R. 1540. **Page H8324**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 3220, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Evergreen Square SW in Pine City, Minnesota, as the “Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office,” by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 351 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 913; **Pages H8325–26, H8340**

Wayne Grisham Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 2158, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14901 Adelfa Drive in La Mirada, California, as the “Wayne Grisham Post Office,” by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 353 yeas with 1 voting “nay,” Roll No. 914; and **Pages H8327–28, H8340–41**

Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011: H.R. 2845, amended, to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide for enhanced safety and environmental protection in pipeline transportation and to provide for enhanced reliability in the transportation of the Nation's energy products by pipeline. **Pages H8330–39**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:49 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H8340**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Amending title 39, United States Code, to extend the authority of the United States Postal Service to issue a semipostal to raise funds for breast cancer research: S. 384, to amend title 39, United States Code, to extend the authority of the United States Postal Service to issue a semipostal to raise funds for breast cancer research; **Pages H8324–25**

Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 3246, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15455 Manchester Road in Ballwin, Missouri, as the “Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building”; **Pages H8326–27**

William T. Trant Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 2767, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the “William T. Trant Post Office Building”; **Pages H8328–29**

Brian A. Terry Memorial Act: H.R. 2668, to designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the “Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station”; and **Pages H8329–30**

Designating the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the “M.D. Anderson Plaza”: H.R. 1264, amended, to designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the “M.D. Anderson Plaza” and to authorize the placement of a historical/identification marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson. **Pages H8343–44**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Jackson (IL) motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 0 ayes to 355 noes, Roll No. 916. **Page H8342**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H8323.

Senate Referral: S. 1974 was held at the desk. **Page H8323**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8340,

H8340–41, H8341–42 and H8342. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MIDDLE CLASS TAX RELIEF AND JOB CREATION ACT OF 2011

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3630, the “Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2011.” The Committee granted, by a record vote of 7 to 3, a closed rule providing 90 minutes of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Testimony was heard from Chairman Camp; Rep. Levin; Rep. Jackson Lee of Texas; and Rep. Johnson of Georgia.

Joint Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1540, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 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.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: To hold hearings to examine MF Global bankruptcy, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Business meeting to consider the nominations of Maurice A. Jones, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary, and Carol J. Galante, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development,