

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6909–S6983

Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3639–3642, and S. Res. 601–602. **Page S6947**

Measures Reported:

S. 2178, to require the Federal Government to expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–241) **Page S6947**

Measures Passed:

Economic Espionage Act: Senate passed S. 3642, to clarify the scope of the Economic Espionage Act of 1996. **Pages S6978–79**

Year of the Korean War Veteran: Senate agreed to S. Res. 602, designating 2012–2013 as the “Year of the Korean War Veteran” and recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Korean War. **Page S6979**

Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3254, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 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. **Pages S6909–14, S6921–22**

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Treaty: Senate began consideration of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 13, 2006, and signed by the United States of America on June 30, 2009 (the “Convention”) (Treaty Doc. 112–7). **Pages S6922–23, S6923–39**

Prior to the consideration of this treaty, Senate took the following action:

By 61 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 205), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 13, 2006, and

signed by the United States of America on June 30, 2009 (the “Convention”) (Treaty Doc. 112–7).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Nitza I. Quinones Alejandro, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Luis Felipe Restrepo, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Jeffrey L. Schmehl, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, and Navy. **Pages S6979–83**

Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Privileges of the Floor:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—205) **Page S6923**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:47 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, November 28, 2012. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S6979.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

UPDATE ON ARMS CONTROL MATTERS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on an update on arms control matters from intelligence community briefers.

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: 6 public bills, H.R. 6603–6608; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 818 were introduced. **Page H6469**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H6469**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Womack to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6431**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:10 p.m. and reconvened at 4:34 p.m. **Page H6432**

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

Mandatory Operational Control Reporting and Performance Measures Act of 2012: H.R. 6025, amended, to provide for annual reports on the status of operational control of the international land and maritime borders of the United States and unlawful entries; **Pages H6432–34**

DHS Accountability Act of 2012: H.R. 5913, amended, to create an independent advisory panel to comprehensively assess the management structure and capabilities related to the Department of Homeland Security and make recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the management of the Department; **Pages H6434–37**

Jaime Zapata Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 915, to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from trans-national crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of

the United States, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 397 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 610;

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Medical Preparedness Allowable Use Act: H.R. 5997, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to codify authority under existing grant guidance authorizing use of Urban Area Security Initiative and State Homeland Security Grant Program funding for enhancing medical preparedness, medical surge capacity, and mass prophylaxis capabilities, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 397 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 609; and **Pages H6439–40, H6442–43**

Clotbe a Homeless Hero Act: H.R. 6328, to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to transfer unclaimed clothing recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other local charitable organizations. **Pages H6440–41**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon tomorrow, November 28th. **Page H6441**

Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Jackson (IL), wherein he resigned as Representative for the Second Congressional District of Illinois, effective November 21, 2012. **Pages H6441–42**

Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Illinois, Mr. Jackson, the whole number of the House is 433. **Page H6442**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:27 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H6442**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6431.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6442–43, H6443–44. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs and International Environmental Protection, to hold hearings to examine evaluating current United States global food security efforts and determining future United States leadership opportunities, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert F. Godec, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kenya, and Deborah Ann McCarthy, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic

of Lithuania, both of the Department of State, 2 p.m., SD-419.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Examining Options to Combat Health Care Waste, Fraud and Abuse”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet, hearing entitled “Music Licensing Part One: Legislation in the 112th Congress”, 11:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 6429, the “STEM Jobs Act of 2012”, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing entitled “National Priorities for Solar and Space Physics Research and Applications for Space Weather Prediction”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Getting Back on Track: A Review of Amtrak’s Structural Reorganization”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “VA Conference Spending Accountability”, 10:15 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Wednesday, November 28

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: The Majority Leader will be recognized.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 p.m., Wednesday, November 28

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of the following measures under suspension of the rules: (1) H.R. 6604—To designate the federal building currently known as Federal Office Building 8, located at 200 C Street Southwest in the District of Columbia, as the “Thomas P. O’Neill, Jr. Federal Building”; (2) H.R. 6374—To designate the facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 180 Martin Drive in Carrollton, Georgia, as

the “Trinka Davis Veterans Village”; (3) H.R. 5788—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington, as the “National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office”; (4) H.R. 5738—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15285 Samohin Drive in Macomb, Michigan, as the “Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio Clinton-Macomb Carrier Annex”; (5) H.R. 3892—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the “Private First Class Victor A. Dew Post Office”; (6) H.R. 2338—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 Florida Avenue in Cocoa, Florida, as the “Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office”; (7) H.R. 3912—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Mastic Road in Mastic Beach, New York, as the “Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office Building”; and (8) H.R. 5954—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the “Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building”.

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