

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S6985–S7125*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3643–3646. **Page S7040**

#### Measures Passed:

**DART Act:** Senate passed S. 1998, to obtain an unqualified audit opinion, and improve financial accountability and management at the Department of Homeland Security, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7125**

#### Measures Considered:

**National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement:** Senate began 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, after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S6985–95, S6995–S7031**

#### Adopted:

McCain Amendment No. 3051, to authorize additional Marine Corps personnel for the performance of security functions for United States embassies, consulates, and other diplomatic facilities abroad.

**Pages S7005–7008**

By 62 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 206), Reid (for Udall (CO)) Amendment No. 2985, to strike section 313, relating to a limitation on the availability of funds for the procurement of alternative fuel.

**Pages S6995–S7005, S7006–07, S7009–11**

Gillibrand Amendment No. 3016, to provide for the processing for administrative separation from the Armed Forces of members who are convicted of certain sexual offenses under the Uniform Code of Military Justice and not punitively discharged in connection with such convictions.

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Murray Amendment No. 3099, to improve mental health care programs and activities for members of the Armed Forces and veterans.

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By 85 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 207), Leahy Amendment No. 2955, to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program. **Pages S7025–29**

#### Pending:

Kyl Amendment No. 3123, to require regular updates of Congress on the military implications of proposals of the United States and Russia under consideration in negotiations on nuclear arms, missile defense, and long-range conventional strike system matters. **Pages S7014–15**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, November 29, 2012. **Page S7125**

**Messages from the House: Page S7035**

**Measures Referred: Page S7035**

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**Amendments Submitted: Pages S7042–S7124**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet: Page S7124**

**Privileges of the Floor: Pages S7124–25**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—207) **Pages S7011, S7028–29**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 7:18 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 29, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7125.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### GLOBAL FOOD SECURITY EFFORTS

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** Subcommittee on International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs and International Environmental Protection concluded a hearing to examine evaluating current United States global food security efforts and determining future United States leadership opportunities, after receiving testimony from

Tjada McKenna, Deputy Coordinator of Development for Feed the Future, United States Agency for International Development; Jonathan Shrier, Acting Special Representative for Global Food Security, Department of State; Paul O'Brien, Oxfam America, Washington, D.C.; Conor Walsh, Catholic Relief Services, Baltimore, Maryland; and Connie Veillette, Chicago Council on Global Affairs, Fairfax Station, Virginia.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing 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, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 2 public bills, H.R. 6609–6610; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 141; and H. Res. 819–820 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 821, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6429) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to promote innovation, investment, and research in the United States, to eliminate the diversity immigrant program, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 112–697).

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**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Kenneth Johnson, Seaman United Methodist Church, Seaman, Ohio.

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**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Garamendi, wherein he resigned from the Committee on Natural Resources, and accepted a position on the Committee on Agriculture.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:29 p.m. and reconvened at 12:55 p.m.

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

**Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building Designation Act:** 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";

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**Trinka Davis Veterans Village Designation Act:** 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";

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**National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office Designation Act:** 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";

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**Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio Clinton-Macomb Carrier Annex:** 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";

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**Private First Class Victor A. Dew Post Office Designation Act:** H.R. 3892, amended, 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";

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the 'Lance Corporal Victor A. Dew Post Office.'"

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**Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office Designation Act:** 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";

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**Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office Building Designation Act:** 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

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**Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building Designation Act:** H.R. 5954, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at