

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senator Patrick J. Leahy, of Vermont, was sworn in as President pro tempore of the Senate of the United States.

Senate agreed to S. Res. 624, relative to the death of Senator Daniel K. Inouye, of Hawaii.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S8095–S8154*

**Measures Introduced:** One bill and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3689, S. Res. 622–624, and S. Con. Res. 63–64. **Pages S8138–39**

#### Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2013”. (S. Rept. No. 112–252)

Special Report entitled “Report of the Joint Economic Committee Congress of the United States on the 2012 Economic Report of the President”. (S. Rept. No. 112–253) **Page S8138**

#### Measures Passed:

**Notification to the House of Representatives:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 622, notifying the House of Representatives of the election of a President pro tempore. **Page S8103**

**Notification to the President:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 623, notifying the President of the United States of the election of a President pro tempore. **Pages S8103–04**

**Enrollment Correction:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 63, correcting the enrollment of S. 2367. **Page S8152**

**Authorizing the Use of the Capitol Rotunda:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 64, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the lying in state of the remains of the late Honorable Daniel K. Inouye. **Page S8152**

**Relative to the Death of Senator Daniel K. Inouye:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 624, relative to the death of the Honorable Daniel Ken Inouye, Senator from the State of Hawaii. **Page S8152**

#### Measures Considered:

**Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act—AGREEMENT:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1, making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8117–32**

#### Pending:

Leahy (for Inouye) Amendment No. 3338, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8117**

Leahy (for Inouye) Amendment No. 3339 (to Amendment No. 3338), of a perfecting nature. **Page S8117**

Merkley Amendment No. 3367 (to Amendment No. 3338), to extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs. **Pages S8117–26**

McCain/Coburn Amendment No. 3355 (to Amendment No. 3338), to strike funding for the emergency forest restoration program. **Pages S8126–28**

Tester Amendment No. 3350 (to Amendment No. 3338), to provide additional funds for wildland fire management. **Pages S8128–30**

Coburn/McCain Amendment No. 3371 (to Amendment No. 3338), to ensure that Federal disaster assistance is available for the most severe disasters. **Pages S8130–32**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, December 19, 2012. **Pages S8152–53**

**Swearing in of President Pro Tempore:** Senator Patrick J. Leahy, of Vermont, was sworn in as President pro tempore of the Senate of the United States. **Page S8103**

**Retiring Senator Speeches—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was providing that Senator Hutchison be recognized at 11:30 a.m., on

Wednesday, December 19, 2012, for up to 30 minutes, and that Senator Kyl be recognized at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, December 19, 2012, for up to 30 minutes, each for the purpose of delivering retirement speeches.

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**Messages from the House:** **Page S8138**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**  
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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S8137–38**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S8140–51**

**Notices of Intent:** **Page S8151**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye, in accordance

with S. Res. 624, at 7:51 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 19, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8153.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### COMPUTERIZED TRADING VENUES

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine computerized trading venues, focusing on what should the rules of the road be, after receiving testimony from Joseph Mecane, NYSE Euronext, and Daniel Mathisson, Credit Suisse, both of Rye, New York; Eric Noll, NASDAQ OMX, Haverford, Pennsylvania; and Robert C. Gasser, ITG, Madison, New Jersey.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 8 public bills, H.R. 6675–6682; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 122; and H.Res. 835 were introduced. **Page H7264**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7264–65**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 819, directing the Attorney General of the United States to transmit to the House of Representatives, not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution, any documents and legal memoranda in the Attorney General's possession relating to the practice of targeted killing of United States citizens and targets abroad, adversely (H. Rept. 112–704) and

Conference report on H.R. 4310, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–705). **Pages H7263–64**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Hayworth to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6829**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:58 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H6834**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Page H6835**

**Private Calendar:** On the call of the Private calendar, the House passed S. 285, for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke. **Page H6838**

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

*Small Business Investment Company Modernization Act of 2012:* H.R. 6504, to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to provide for increased limitations on leverage for multiple licenses under common control, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 359 yeas to 36 nays with 1 answering "present", Roll No. 629; **Pages H6838–40, H6852–53**

*Countering Iran in the Western Hemisphere Act of 2012:* Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 3783, to provide for a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's growing hostile presence and activity in the Western Hemisphere, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 386 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 630;

**Pages H6840–41, H6853**

*Correcting and improving certain provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act and title 35, United States Code:* H.R. 6621, amended, to correct and improve certain provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act and title 35, United States Code, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 308 yeas to 89 nays, Roll No. 631; **Pages H6842–44, H6854**

**Katie Sepich Enhanced DNA Collection Act of 2012:** H.R. 6014, amended, to authorize the Attorney General to award grants for States to implement minimum and enhanced DNA collection processes;

**Pages H6844–48**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To authorize the Attorney General to award grants for States to implement DNA arrestee collection processes.”

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**Theft of Trade Secrets Clarification Act of 2012:** S. 3642, to clarify the scope of the Economic Espionage Act of 1996, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-a-and-nay vote of 388 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 632; and

**Pages H6848–49, H6854–55**

**Amending section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis:** H.R. 6671, to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet.

**Pages H6849–51**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:05 p.m. and reconvened at 6:15 p.m.

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**Conference report filing:** Agreed that the managers on the part of the House have until midnight tonight, December 18th, to file the conference report to accompany H.R. 4310, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013.

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**Amending the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program and designating certain Federal buildings:** The House agreed to discharge from committees and pass S. 3687, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program and to designate certain Federal buildings.

**Pages H6855–56**

**Privileged Resolution:** The House agreed to H. J. Res. 122, establishing the date for the counting of the electoral votes for President and Vice President cast by the electors in December 2012.

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**Senate Messages:** A message received from the Senate today and a message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H6829, H6869.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 1792 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and S. 1793 was held at the desk.

**Pages H6829, H6869**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four ye-a-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear

on pages H6852, H6853, H6854, H6854–55. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

## *Committee Meeting*

No hearings were held.

## *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. 4310, 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.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1017)

H.R. 6156, to authorize the extension of non-discriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova and to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization. Signed on December 14, 2012. (Public Law 112–208)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine consumer credit reports, 10 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

*Committee on Finance:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Ronald Lee Buch, of Virginia, and Albert G. Lauber, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to receive a closed briefing on the Accountability Review Board, 8:30 a.m., SVC–217.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the state of the right to vote after the 2012 election, 10 a.m., SD–226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*: business meeting to consider the nominations of Keith Kelly, of Montana, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, and William S. Greenberg, of New Jersey, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

### House

*Committee on Armed Services*, Full Committee, hearing on an update on the evolving security situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and implications for U.S. national security, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled "Challenges Facing Multiemployer Pension Plans: Evaluating PBGC's Insurance Program and Financial Outlook", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ethics*, Full Committee, meeting on considering proposed amendments to Committee Rules, 10:45 a.m., 304-A Cannon.

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Full Committee, hearing on ongoing intelligence activities, 10 a.m., HVC-304. This is a closed hearing.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, December 19

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, December 19

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 1, Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act.

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** To be announced.

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