

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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#### Measures Passed:

**U.S. Government Employees in Iraq:** Senate passed H.R. 3233, to extend the period during which Iraqis who were employed by the United States Government in Iraq may be granted special immigrant status and to temporarily increase the fee or surcharge for processing machine-readable non-immigrant visas. **Page S7149**

**Authorizing Reporting of Committee Funding Resolutions:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 228, authorizing the reporting of committee funding resolutions for the period October 1, 2013, through February 28, 2015. **Page S7170**

**Authorizing Expenditures by Committees of the Senate:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 253, authorizing expenditures by committees of the Senate for the periods October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2014, and October 1, 2014, through February 28, 2015. **Page S7170**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S7167**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 4:15 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Friday, October 4, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7170.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### SITUATION IN SYRIA

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee received a closed briefing on the situation in Syria from Robert S. Ford, Ambassador to Syria, and Thomas M. Countryman, Assistant Secretary for International Security and Nonproliferation, both of the Department of State; and James N. Miller, Under Secretary for Policy, and Admiral James A. Winnefeld, Jr., Vice Chairman, and Rear Admiral Paul B. Becker, Director for Intelligence, both of the USN, Joint Chiefs of Staff, all of the Department of Defense.

#### REVERSING IRAN'S NUCLEAR PROGRAM

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine reversing Iran's nuclear program, after receiving testimony from Wendy Sherman, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs; and James F. Jeffrey, The Washington Institute for Near East Policy, David Albright, Institute for Science and International Security, and Ray Takeyh, Council on Foreign Relations, all of Washington, D.C.

#### NOMINATIONS

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of James Walter Brewster, Jr., of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Dominican Republic, who was introduced by Senator Durbin, Brian A. Nichols, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Peru, who was introduced by Senators Reed and Whitehouse, and Carlos Roberto Moreno, of California, to be Ambassador to Belize, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.