

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

**Routine Proceedings,** Pages S7357–S7388

**Measures Introduced:** One bill and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1570, and S.J. Res. 24. Page S7386

#### Measures Reported:

S. 120, to expand the number of scholarships available to Pakistani women under the Merit and Needs-Based Scholarship Program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Page S7386

#### Measures Passed:

**Military Death Gratuities and Related Survivor Benefits:** Senate passed H.J. Res. 91, making continuing appropriations for death gratuities and related survivor benefits for survivors of deceased military service members of the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2014. Page S7368

**Security Clearance Oversight and Reform Enhancement Act:** Senate passed S. 1276, to increase oversight of the Revolving Fund of the Office of Personnel Management, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Reid (for Carper/Coburn) Amendment No. 2001, to amend the title. Page S7387

**Religious Services to Members of the Armed Forces:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 58, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the need for the continued availability of religious services to members of the Armed Forces and their families during a lapse in appropriations, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: Pages S7387–88

Reid (for Levin) Amendment No. 2002, to amend the resolution. Page S7388

Reid (for Levin) Amendment No. 2003, to amend the preamble. Page S7388

#### Measures Considered:

**Default Prevention Act—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1569, to ensure the complete and timely

payment of the obligations of the United States Government until December 31, 2014. Pages S7357–85

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Saturday, October 12, 2013. Pages S7384–85

**Messages from the House:** Page S7386

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** Pages S7357, S7386

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** Page S7387

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:46 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Friday, October 11, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7388.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### NOMINATIONS

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael D. Lumpkin, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict, Jamie Michael Morin, of Michigan, to be Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, who was introduced by Senator Hoeven, and Jo Ann Rooney, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary of the Navy, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## FINANCIAL STABILITY AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the impact of a default on financial stability and economic growth, after receiving testimony from Frank Keating, American Bankers Association, Washington, D.C.; Kenneth E. Bentsen, Jr., Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association, Houston, Texas; Gary Thomas, National Association of Realtors, Orange County, California; and Paul Schott Ste-

vens, Investment Company Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana.

## DEBT LIMIT

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the debt limit, after receiving testimony from Jacob J. Lew, Secretary of the Treasury.

## 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.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 3 public bills, H.R. 3282–3284; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 93; and H. Res. 375–377 were introduced.

**Pages H6492–93**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

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

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:55 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

**Pages H6460–61**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Guillermo Maldonado, King Jesus International Ministry, Miami, Florida.

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**Congressional Award Board—Appointment:** Read a letter from Representative Pelosi, Democratic Leader, in which she appointed Mr. Mitchell Draizin of New York, NY to the Congressional Award Board.

**Page H6466**

**Board of Visitors to the United States Merchant Marine Academy—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Merchant Marine Academy: Representative McCarthy (NY).

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:25 p.m. and reconvened at 1:35 p.m.

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**Border Security and Enforcement Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2014:** The House passed H.J. Res. 79, making continuing appropriations for certain components of the Department of

Homeland Security for fiscal year 2014, by a yeand-nay vote of 249 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 540.

**Pages H6466–74**

Agreed to table the appeal of the ruling of the chair on a point of order sustained against the Shear-Porter motion to recommit the joint resolution to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeand-nay vote 226 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 539.

**Pages H6472–73**

H. Res. 371, the rule providing for consideration of the joint resolution, was agreed to on Friday, October 4th.

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in memory of Rod Grams, former Representative and Senator.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6471.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yeand-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6472–73 and H6473–74. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7 p.m.

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

## Committee Meetings

### THE INTERPRETATION OF PAY OUR MILITARY ACT

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing entitled “The Interpretation of H.R. 3210: ‘Pay Our Military Act’”. Testimony was heard from Jessica L. Garfola Wright, Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness,

Department of Defense; Robert F. Hale, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), Department of Defense; and Robert S. Taylor, Acting General Counsel of the Department of Defense, Department of Defense.

#### **DEVELOPMENT AND INTEGRATION OF AIR/SEA BATTLE STRATEGY, GOVERNANCE AND POLICY INTO THE SERVICES' ANNUAL PROGRAM PROCESS**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing on USAF, USN and USMC Development and Integration of Air/Sea Battle Strategy, Governance and Policy into the Services' Annual Program, Planning, Budgeting and Execution (PPBE) Process. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Upper Half James G. Foggo III, USN, Assistant Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Operations, Plans and Strategy) (N3/N5B), Department of Defense; Major General James J. Jones, USAF, Director of Operations, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations Plans, Department of Defense; Brigadier General Kevin J. Killea, USMC, Director of the Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory, Department of Defense; and Major General Michael S. Stough, USAF, Vice Director, Joint Force Development, J7, Department of Defense.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3212, the "Sean and David Goldman International Child Abduction Prevention and Return Act of 2013". The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

#### **EPA VS. AMERICAN MINING JOBS: THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION'S REGULATORY ASSAULT ON THE ECONOMY**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled "EPA vs. American Mining Jobs: The Obama Administration's Regulatory Assault on the Economy". Testimony was heard from Edmund Fogels, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, State of Alaska Representative, Interstate Mining Compact Commission; and public witnesses.

#### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on H.R. 3176, to reauthorize the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3189, to prohibit the conditioning of any permit, lease, or other use agreement on the transfer, relinquishment, or other impairment of any water right to the United States by the Secretaries of the

Interior and Agriculture. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **BUNGLING BUNDLING: HOW CONTRACT BUNDLING AND CONSOLIDATION REMAIN CHALLENGES TO SMALL BUSINESS SUCCESS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce held a hearing entitled "Bungling Bundling: How Contract Bundling and Consolidation Remain Challenges to Small Business Success". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **FUNDING THE NATION'S FREIGHT SYSTEM**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Panel on 21st Century Freight Transportation held a hearing entitled "Funding the Nation's Freight System". Testimony was heard from Sean T. Connaughton, Secretary, Virginia Department of Transportation; Leif Dormsjo, Deputy Secretary, Maryland Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

#### **FACING THE DANGERS OF VA'S SKYROCKETING USE OF PRESCRIPTION PAINKILLERS TO TREAT VETERANS**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Between Peril and Promise: Facing the Dangers of VA's Skyrocketing Use of Prescription Painkillers to Treat Veterans". Testimony was heard from Steven G. Scott, M.D., Chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Service, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Robert L. Jesse, M.D., Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a meeting on Member Access Requests. This hearing was closed.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2013**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### **Senate**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine the impacts of the Government shutdown on economic security, 1 p.m., SR-253.

**House**

*Committee on Armed Services*, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled “Biodefense: Resources and Priorities within the Department of Defense”, 10:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

**Joint Meetings**

*Joint Economic Committee*: to hold hearings to examine the way forward from government shutdown and debt ceiling confrontation toward long-term fiscal sustainability and economic growth, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth Building.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10:30 a.m., Friday, October 11

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Friday, October 11

Senate Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Following any Leader remarks, Senate will recess subject to the call of the Chair to allow for a Republican special caucus with the President.

House Chamber

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

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