

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 3547, Consolidated Appropriations Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-four bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1935–1958, S.J. Res. 30, and S. Res. 333–336.

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Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 1871, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medicare sustainable growth rate formula and to improve beneficiary access under the Medicare program. (S. Rept. No. 113–135)

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Measures Passed:

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 74, providing for a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 3547.

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National Mentoring Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 335, designating January 2014 as “National Mentoring Month”.

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National Asbestos Awareness Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 336, designating the first week of April 2014 as “National Asbestos Awareness Week”.

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Measures Considered:

Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1926, to delay the implementation of certain provisions of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 and to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers.

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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, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, Jan-

uary 16, 2014, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, January 27, 2014.

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House Messages:

Consolidated Appropriations Act: By 72 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 13), Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 3547, making consolidated appropriations for fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, after taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto:

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Withdrawn:

Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 2655, to change the enactment date.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 72 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 12), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill.

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Reid motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 2657, to change the enactment date, fell when cloture was invoked on the Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill.

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Reid Amendment No. 2658 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2657), of a perfecting nature, fell when Reid motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 2657 fell.

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Reid Amendment No. 2659 (to Amendment No. 2658), of a perfecting nature, fell when Reid

Amendment No. 2658 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2657). **Page S385**

Reid Amendment No. 2656 (to Amendment No. 2655), of a perfecting nature, fell when Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 2655 was withdrawn. **Page S385**

Authorizing Leadership to Make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President Pro Tempore and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page S458**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that during the adjournment or recess of the Senate from Thursday, January 16, 2014, through Monday, January 27, 2014, Senators Levin, Warner and Rockefeller be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions. **Page S458**

Pro Forma—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate adjourn and convene for pro forma sessions only with no business conducted on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Friday, January 17, 2014, at 11:15 a.m.; Tuesday, January 21, 2014, at 10:30 a.m.; and Friday, January 24, 2014, at 9:30 a.m.; and that the Senate adjourn on Friday, January 24, 2014 until 2 p.m., on Monday, January 27, 2014. **Page S458**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Stephen R. Bough, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri.

Richard Franklin Boulware II, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

Salvador Mendoza, Jr., of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.

Staci Michelle Yandle, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.

Gustavo Velasquez Aguilar, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Jerome H. Powell, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve

System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 2014.

Nina Hachigian, of California, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador.

Matthew H. Tueller, of Utah, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Yemen.

Maria Contreras-Sweet, of California, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

Richard Christman, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2017.

Shamina Singh, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2014.

Shamina Singh, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2019.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Army and Coast Guard.

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Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Page S383, S437**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—13) **Page S425**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:55 p.m., until 11:15 a.m. on Friday, January 17, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S458.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Madelyn R.