

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1553–S1611

Measures Introduced: Forty bills and eight resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2700–2739, S. Res. 403–409, and S. Con. Res. 34. **Pages S1591–92**

Measures Reported: Report to accompany S. 1177, to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to ensure that every child achieves. (S. Rept. No. 114–231) **Page S1590**

Measures Passed:

Airport and Airway Extension Act: Senate passed H.R. 4721, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S1560–61**

McConnell (for Thune) Amendment No. 3457, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1560–61**

Directing Senate Legal Counsel: By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 38), Senate agreed to S. Res. 377, directing the Senate Legal Counsel to bring a civil action to enforce a subpoena of the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. **Pages S1561–68**

Ensuring Patient Access and Effective Drug Enforcement Act: Senate passed S. 483, to improve enforcement efforts related to prescription drug diversion and abuse, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1605–06**

South Texas Bridge: Senate passed S. 2143, to provide for the authority for the successors and assigns of the Starr-Camargo Bridge Company to maintain and operate a toll bridge across the Rio Grande near Rio Grande City, Texas. **Page S1606**

Adding Zika Virus to the FDA Priority Review Voucher Program Act: Senate passed S. 2512, to expand the tropical disease product priority review voucher program to encourage treatments for Zika virus, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1606–07**

Authorizing Use of Emancipation Hall: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 111, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust. **Page S1607**

Congratulating the University of Wyoming Men's Nordic Ski Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 407, congratulating the University of Wyoming men's Nordic ski team for winning the 38th annual United States Collegiate Ski and Snowboard Association national championship. **Page S1607**

CDH Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 408, designating April 2016 as "National Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Awareness Month". **Page S1607**

National Women's History Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 409, recognizing March 2016 as "National Women's History Month". **Page S1607**

Adjournment Resolution: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 34, providing for an adjournment of the House of Representatives. **Page S1607**

Authority for Committees—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the Senate's adjournment, committees be authorized to report legislative and executive matters on Monday, March 28, 2016, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. **Page S1608**

Authorizing Leadership to Make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the upcoming 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 S1608**

Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate adjourn, to then convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business being conducted on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma

session, Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Monday, March 21, 2016, at 10 a.m.; Thursday, March 24, 2016, at 11 a.m.; Monday, March 28, 2016, at 11:30 a.m.; and Thursday, March 31, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.; and that when Senate adjourns on Thursday, March 31, 2016, it next convene at 3 p.m., on Monday, April 4, 2016. **Page S1608**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Treaty with Kazakhstan on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. No. 114–11).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Pages S1607–08**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Janine Anne Davidson, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy.

Todd A. Weiler, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense. **Page S1610**

10 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Page S1610**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Douglas Barry Wilson, of Delaware, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2017.

Heidi Neel Biggs, of Oregon, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2017.

Westley Watende Omari Moore, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2016.

Westley Watende Omari Moore, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2021.

Anne Hall, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania.

Jeffrey A. Rosen, of Virginia, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2021.

Almo J. Carter, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

Larry T. Glenn, of the Virgin Islands, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

Lisabeth Tabor Hughes, of Kentucky, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

James Xavier Dempsey, of California, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring January 29, 2022.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, and Navy. **Pages S1608–10**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Brad R. Carson, of Oklahoma, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, which was sent to the Senate on July 8, 2015. **Pages S1610–11**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—38) **Page S1568**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:33 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Monday, March 21, 2016. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S1608.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Department of Labor, after receiving testimony from Thomas E. Perez, Secretary of Labor.