

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6025–S6098

Measures Introduced: Two bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3535–3536 and S. Res. 515–516. **Page S6061**

Measures Reported:

S. 1509, to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to add non-human primates to the definition of prohibited wildlife species. (S. Rept. No. 109–263) **Page S6061**

Measures Passed:

Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 2012, to authorize appropriations to the Secretary of Commerce for the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act for fiscal years 2006 through 2012, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Warner (for Stevens) Amendment No. 4310, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6043**

Recognizing Juneteenth Independence Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 516, recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day and expressing the sense of the Senate that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future. **Page S6097**

Interstate Highway System Anniversary: Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 372, recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Interstate Highway System, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6097**

National Defense Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6051–52**

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 4241, to name the Act after John Warner, a Senator from Virginia. **Page S6051**

Nelson (FL)/Menendez Amendment No. 4265, to express the sense of Congress that the Government of Iraq should not grant amnesty to persons known to have attacked, killed, or wounded members of the Armed Forces of the United States. **Page S6051**

McConnell Amendment No. 4272, to commend the Iraqi Government for affirming its positions of no amnesty for terrorists who have attacked U.S. forces. **Page S6051**

Dorgan Amendment No. 4292, to establish a special committee of the Senate to investigate the awarding and carrying out of contracts to conduct activities in Afghanistan and Iraq and to fight the war on terrorism. **Page S6051**

Kennedy Amendment No. 4322, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage. **Page S6051**

Frist Amendment No. 4323 (to Amendment No. 4322), to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions. **Pages S6051–52**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, June 20, 2006, and that Senator Reed be recognized to speak for up to 20 minutes. **Pages S6097–98**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the notification of the issuance of an Executive Order blocking the property of persons in connection with the situation in Belarus; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM—50) **Pages S6059–60**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of weapons-usable fissile material in the

territory of the Russian Federation; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM—51) **Page S6060**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 81 yeas (Vote No. EX. 175), Sandra Segal Ikuta, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

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Donald L. Kohn, of Virginia, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years. **Pages S6047, S6098**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Henry M. Paulson, Jr., of New York, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Measures Placed on Calendar: **Pages S6060, S6097**

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:
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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—175) **Page S6054**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 6:02 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, June 20, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6098.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session and ordered favorably reported S. 3237, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Commu-

nity Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

BIOFUELS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine implementation of the Renewable Fuel Standard in the 2005 Energy Bill and the future potential of biofuels such as biodiesel, cellulosic ethanol, and E85, after receiving testimony from William Wehrum, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Michael Pacheco, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Golden, Colorado; Charles P. Carey, Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago, Illinois; Chris Standlee, Abengoa Bioenergy Corporation, Chesterfield, Missouri, on behalf of the Renewable Fuels Association; Daniel More, Morgan Stanley, New York, New York; and Joe Jobe, National Biodiesel Board, Jefferson City, Missouri.

NOMINATIONS:

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Robert D. McCallum, Jr., of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Australia, and Leslie V. Rowe, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Solomon Islands and Ambassador to the Republic of Vanuatu, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IN THE WORKPLACE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship concluded a hearing to examine the lessons learned from the immigration reform legislation of 1986 relating to enforcement in the workplace, focusing on investigation and prosecution of employers engaged in the hiring of illegal aliens, receiving testimony from Stewart Baker, Assistant Secretary for Policy, and Julie L. Myers, Assistant Secretary for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, both of the Department of Homeland Security; Martin H. Gerry, Deputy Commissioner for Disability and Income Security Programs, Social Security Administration; Richard M. Stana, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; C. Stewart Verdery, Jr., Center for Strategic and International Studies; Cecilia Munoz, National Council of La Raza, and Linda Dodd-Major, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 5637–5639 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page H4220**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4890, to amend the Congressional and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide for the expedited consideration of certain proposed rescissions of budget authority, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–505, Part 2);

H.R. 5341, to amend section 5313 of title 31, United States Code, to reform certain requirements for reporting cash transactions, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–506); and

H. Res. 877, providing for consideration of H.R. 5631, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 (H. Rept. 109–507). **Page H4219**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Price of Georgia to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4191**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:38 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H4192**

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

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 217 Southeast 2nd Street in Dimmitt, Texas, as the “Sergeant Jacob Dan Dones Post Office”: H.R. 5540, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 217 Southeast 2nd Street in Dimmitt, Texas, as the “Sergeant Jacob Dan Dones Post Office”, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 306 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 289; **Pages H4193, H4198**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6029 Broadmoor Street in Mission, Kansas, as the “Larry Winn, Jr. Post Office Building”: H.R. 5504, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6029 Broadmoor Street in Mission, Kansas, as the “Larry Winn, Jr. Post Office Building”, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 305 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 290; **Pages H4193–95, H4198–99**

To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1750 16th Street South in St. Petersburg, Florida, as the “Morris W. Milton Post Office”: H.R. 5104, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1750

16th Street South in St. Petersburg, Florida, as the “Morris W. Milton Post Office”; and **Pages H4195–96**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a National Youth Sports Week should be established: H. Res. 826, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that a National Youth Sports Week should be established, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 311 yeas to 1 nay with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 291. **Pages H4196–97, H4199–H4200**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:34 p.m. and reconvened at 5 p.m. **Page H4197**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H4220.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4205.

Senate Referral: S. 2012 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4198, H4198–99, H4199–H4200. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Committee Meetings

NRC'S REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “A Review of NRC's Reactor Oversight Process.” Testimony was heard from Jim Wells, Director of Energy, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Natural Resources, and the Environment, GAO; Edward McGaffigan, Jr., Commissioner, NRC; and a public witness.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS FY 2007

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 5631, Making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an

appropriations bill). The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Young of Florida and Sabo.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the Rural Development Programs of the Department of Agriculture, 10:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up H.R. 5384, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine issues for the future relating to the Federal Housing Administration, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: business meeting to mark up S. 3521, to establish a new budget process to create a comprehensive plan to rein in spending, reduce the deficit, and regain control of the Federal budget process, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine the National Park Service's Revised Draft Management Policies, including potential impact of the policies on park operations, park resources, wilderness areas, recreation, and interaction with gateway communities, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Paul A. Denett, of Virginia, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine United Nations headquarters renovation, focusing on transparency, accountability, financial and ethical integrity at the international body, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine implications on repealing the insurers' antitrust exemption relating to the McCarran-Ferguson Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to consider intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2007, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on significant force realignments of the Department of Defense, including beddown, support, and other costs and requirements related to those realignments, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following: H.R. 5534, To establish a grant program whereby moneys collected from violations of the corporate average fuel economy program are used to expand infrastructure necessary to increase the availability of alternative fuels; H.R. 5632, To amend Chapter 301 of title 49, United States Code, to establish a national tire fuel efficiency consumer information program; H.R. 5611, Fuel Consumption Education Act; a measure to study and promote the use of energy efficient computer servers in the United States; and H.R. 2730, United States-Israel Energy Cooperation Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Privacy in the Commercial World II," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federalism and the Census, hearing entitled "Poverty, Public Housing and the CRA: Have Housing and Community Investment Incentives Helped Public Housing Families Achieve the American Dream?" 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on S. 1003, Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Amendments of 2005, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 9, Fannie Lou Hamer, Rosa Parks, and Coretta Scott King Voting Rights Act Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 2006, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on FY 2007 Coast Guard Authorizing legislation, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs and the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, joint oversight hearing on Veterans Benefits Administration data security, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:45 a.m., Tuesday, June 20

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 30 minutes), Senate will continue consideration of S. 2766, National Defense Authorization.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 20

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of suspensions as follows: (1) H. Res. 731—Commending the Patriot

Guard Riders for shielding mourning military families from protesters and preserving the memory of fallen service members at funerals; (2) H.R. 5060—To amend the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999 to require data with respect to Federal financial assistance to be available for public access in a searchable and user friendly form; (3) H. Res. 867—Honoring the life and accomplishments of James Cameron; (4) H.R. 4356—Emergency and Disaster Assistance Fraud Penalty Enhancement Act of 2005; (5) H. Con. Res. 367—Honoring and praising the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution on the 100th anniversary of being granted its Congressional Charter; (6) H.R. 5228—To require representatives of governments designated as State Sponsors of Terrorism to disclose to the Attorney General lobbying contacts with legislative branch officials; and (7) H.R. 1285—To amend the Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Act of 1999 to remove the limitation for nonimmigrant classification for nurses in health professional shortage areas. Consideration of H.R. 5631—Department of Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2007 (Subject to a Rule).

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