

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S13975–S14069*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2142–2145. **Page S14064**

**Department of Defense Appropriations Conference Report:** By a vote of 94 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 359), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to the consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2863, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and then began consideration of the conference report. **Page S14014**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the conference report and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, December 21, 2005. **Page S14014**

**National Defense Authorization Conference Report:** By a unanimous vote of 95 yeas (Vote No. 360), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to the consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 1815, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2006 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and then began consideration of the conference report. **Page S14014**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the conference report and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, December 21, 2005. **Pages S14014–15**

**Deficit Reduction Omnibus Reconciliation Act—Conference Report:** By a unanimous vote of 86 yeas to 9 nays (Vote No. 361), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to the consideration of the conference report to accompany S. 1932, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 202(a) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006 (H. Con. Res. 95), and then began consideration of the conference report. **Pages S14015–24**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report at 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, December 20, 2005, and that there be eight hours of debate remaining equally divided. **Pages S14068–69**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—361) **Page S14014–15**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:41 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, December 20, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S14069.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of J. Dorrance Smith, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, Andrew J. McKenna, Jr., of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Security Education Board, and 2,558 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

#### NOMINATION

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Vincent J. Ventimiglia, Jr., of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Legislation.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today.

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

*(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 1273)*

H.J. Res. 75, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2006. Signed on December 18, 2005. (Public Law 109–128)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2005

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

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

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

To be announced.

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the conference report to accompany S. 1932, Deficit Reduction Omnibus Reconciliation Act, with eight hours of debate remaining equally divided.

## House Chamber

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

## Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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