Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1077–1084, and S. Res. 140–145.

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Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled "History, Jurisdiction, and a Summary of Activities of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources during the 109th Congress". (S. Rept. No. 110–47)

- S. 322, to establish an Indian youth telemental health demonstration project, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 110–43)
- S. 375, to waive application of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to a specific parcel of real property transferred by the United States to 2 Indian tribes in the State of Oregon. (S. Rept. No. 110–44)
- S. 398, to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act to identify and remove barriers to reducing child abuse, to provide for examinations of certain children. (S. Rept. No. 110–45)
- S. 481, to recruit and retain more qualified individuals to teach in Tribal Colleges or Universities. (S. Rept. No. 110–46)

Report to accompany S. 358, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment. (S. Rept. No. 110–48)

Report to accompany S. 556, to reauthorize the Head Start Act. (S. Rept. No. 110–49)

- S. 613, to enhance the overseas stabilization and reconstruction capabilities of the United States Government. (S. Rept. No. 110–50)
- S. 442, to provide for loan repayment for prosecutors and public defenders, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 110–51)

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Measures Passed:

Senate Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 140, to authorize legal representation in In the Matter of the Application of Committee on Finance.

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Honoring Coach Eddie G. Robinson: Senate agreed to S. Res. 143, honoring Coach Eddie G. Robinson.

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Honoring Michigan State University Men's National Collegiate Hockey Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 144, honoring the Michigan State University Spartans on winning the 2007 Men's National Collegiate Hockey Championship.

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Masters Golf Tournament: Senate agreed to S. Res. 145, congratulating Zach Johnson on his victory in the 2007 Masters golf tournament.

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Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Custombouse: Senate passed S. 521, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse and customhouse located at 515 West First Street in Duluth, Minnesota, as the "Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Customhouse". Page S4316

Robert E. Coyle United States Courthouse: Senate passed S. 801, to designate a United States courthouse located in Fresno, California, as the "Robert E. Coyle United States Courthouse".

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Clifford Davis and Odell Horton Federal Building: Senate passed H.R. 753, to redesignate the Federal building located at 167 North Main Street in Memphis, Tennessee, as the "Clifford Davis and Odell Horton Federal Building", clearing the measure for the President.

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Animal Fighting Prohibitions: Senate passed H.R. 137, to amend title 18, United States Code, to

strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, clearing the measure for the President. Page S4317

Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act: Senate began consideration of S. 5, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research.

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Hope Act: Senate began consideration of S. 30, to intensify research to derive human pluripotent stem cell lines.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of S. 5 and S. 30 (both listed above) at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 11, 2007; that there be 6½ hours remaining for debate, with the time controlled 11/2 hours each for the Majority and Republican Leaders, or their designees, Senator Harkin and Senator Brownback; with the time until 12:30 p.m. divided as follows: 90 minutes under the control of Senator Harkin or his designee; and 45 minutes each for Senators Coleman and Isakson and Brownback; that at 2:15 p.m., the time until 5:15 p.m., be allocated in the same manner, with the final 30 minutes equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders or their designees, with the Majority Leader controlling the final 15 minutes; that at 5:45 p.m., Senate vote on final passage of S. 5, to be followed by a vote on final passage of S. 30, and that there be 2 minutes of debate prior to the second vote, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders or their designees; provided further that the other provision of the order governing the consideration of these bills remain in

Intelligence Authorization Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 372, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

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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, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, April 12, 2007.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill was withdrawn. Page \$4294

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Michael G. Vickers, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Robert M. Couch, of Alabama, to be General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Peter B. McCarthy, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

John L. Withers II, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania.

Charles Lewis English, of New York, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Robert B. Nolan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho.

Miriam K. Hughes, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia.

Cameron Munter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia.

Michael K. Kussman, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Coast Guard. Page S4317

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 8:02 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$4317.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

OVERSEAS BASING PLANS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a closed hearing to examine overseas basing plans in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Philip W. Grone, Deputy Under Secretary for Installations and Environment, and Joseph A. Benkert, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Global Security Affairs, both of the Department of Defense; Major General Michael J. Diamond, USAR, Deputy Director, J–4/7, Headquarters United States Central Command; and Rear Admiral Frank Craig Pandolfe, Deputy Director for Strategy and Policy, J–5, Joint Staff.

BASE CLOSURE PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a hearing on military installation, environmental, and base closure programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Philip W. Grone, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations and Environment; Keith E. Eastin, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations and Environment; B.J. Penn, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installations and Environment; and William C. Anderson, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations, Environment and Logistics

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), after receiving testimony from Deborah Platt Majoras, Chairman, and Pamela Jones Harbour, Jonathan Leibowitz, William Kovacic, and J. Thomas Rosch,

each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Trade Commission.

VOIP

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine voice over internet protocol (VOIP) and the future of 9–1–1 services, focusing on how E–9–1–1 policy should be responsive to a changed telecommunications landscape, including S. 428, to amend the Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999, after receiving testimony from Dale N. Hatfield, University of Colorado at Boulder, former Chief of the Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission; Wanda S. McCarley, Tarrant County 9-1-1 District, Fort Worth, Texas, on behalf of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials International; Jason Barbour, National Emergency Number Association, Arlington, Virginia; Sharon O'Leary, Vonage Holdings Corp., Holmdel, New Jersey; and Stephen Meer, Intrado, Inc., Longmont, Colorado.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2007, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 103.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 443)

S. 494, to endorse further enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and to facilitate the timely admission of new members to NATO. Signed on April 9, 2007 (Public Law 110–17).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the National Guard and Reserves, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Office of Management and Budget, 3 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine nonproliferation programs at the National Nuclear Security Administration and the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program and the Proliferation Security Initiative at the Department of Defense in the review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Programs, 9:30 a.m., SR–232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine Ballistic Missile Defense Programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SR-222 following the open session, 3 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the availability and affordability of property and casualty insurance in the Gulf Coast and other coastal regions, 9:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold oversight hearings to examine the Property and Casualty Insurance Industry, 9:15 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine airline service improvements, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the Medicare Advantage Program, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine an alternative plan to stop genocide relating to Darfur, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Debra Ann Livingston, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Roslynn Renee Mauskopf, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Richard Sullivan, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Joseph S. Van Bokkelen, of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, to hold hearings to examine the Inspector General's findings of improper use of National Security Letters by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 3 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Smithsonian Institution, 10 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine The Filipino Veterans Equity Act of 2007, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 4 through March 31, 2007

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	Senate	House	Total	Civilian nominations, totaling 197, disposed of as follows:	
Days in session	51	49		Confirmed	41
Time in session	388 hrs., 14'	406 hrs., 50'		Unconfirmed	152
Congressional Record:				Withdrawn	4
Pages of proceedings	4,229	3,375		Withdrawn	1
Extensions of Remarks		731			
Public bills enacted into law	1	15		Civilian nominations, totaling 468, disposed of as follows:	
Private bills enacted into law	0			Confirmed	213
Bills in conference	0	1		Unconfirmed	255
Measures passed, total	125	231	356	Oncommined	2))
Senate bills	17	3			
House bills	18	110		Air Force nominations, totaling 5,063, disposed of as follows:	
Senate joint resolutions	1			Confirmed	3,590
House joint resolutions	1	1		Unconfirmed	1,473
Senate concurrent resolutions	6	1		Chedimined	1,175
House concurrent resolutions	9	19			
Simple resolutions	73	97		Army nominations, totaling 1,316, disposed of as follows:	
Measures reported, total *	95	81	176	Confirmed	1,142
Senate bills	52			Unconfirmed	174
House bills	1	55		Citcolliffied	1/4
Senate joint resolutions	1				
House joint resolutions				Navy nominations, totaling 64, disposed of as follows:	
Senate concurrent resolutions	4			Confirmed	40
House concurrent resolutions	1	2		Unconfirmed	24
Simple resolutions	36	24		Chedimined	21
Special reports	4	2			
Conference reports				Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,305, disposed of as follows:	
Measures pending on calendar	76	7		Confirmed	276
Measures introduced, total	1,232	2,302	3,524	Unconfirmed	1,029
Bills	1,057	1,856		Citcolliffied	1,02)
Joint resolutions	11	41			
Concurrent resolutions	25	110		Summary	
Simple resolutions	139	295		Summury	
Quorum calls	2	1		Total nominations carried over from the First Session	0
Yea-and-nay votes	126	140		Total nominations received this session	8,413
Recorded votes		72		Total confirmed	5,302
Bills vetoed				Total unconfirmed	3,107
Vetoes overridden				Total withdrawn	14
				Total returned to the White House	0

^{*}These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 42 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 83 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 11 Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2 p.m., Monday, April 16

Senate Chamber

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 5, Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act, and S. 30. HOPE Act, en bloc, for a period of debate, and vote on final passage of each bill respectively at 5:45 p.m. (Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

Program for Monday: To be announced.



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