

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of Samuel W. Bodman, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Energy.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twenty three bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 201–223, and S. Res. 22–26. **Pages S647–48**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 22, authorizing expenditures by the Select Committee on Intelligence.

S. Res. 23, authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging.

S. Res. 24, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget.

S. Res. 25, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Finance. **Page S647**

Measures Passed:

Providing for a Joint Session: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 20, providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President. **Page S677**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 10:45 a.m., on Tuesday, February 1, 2005, Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Alberto R. Gonzales, of Texas, to be Attorney General. **Page S677**

Appointments:

United States Capitol Preservation Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 100–696, announced the appointment of Senator Cochran as a member of the United States Capitol Preservation Commission, vice Senator Campbell. **Page S677**

Japan-United States Friendship Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 94–118, Section 4 (a) (3) appointed Senator Murkowski to the Japan-United States Friendship Commission. **Page S677**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Samuel W. Bodman, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Energy. **Page S680**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Michael Chertoff, of New Jersey, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

22 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 1 p.m., and adjourned at 5:33 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, February 1, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S677.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 1.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 1 through February 5, 2005

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at 10:45 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Alberto R. Gonzales, of Texas, to be Attorney General.

On *Wednesday*, at 8:45 p.m., Senate will proceed as a body to the House Chamber for a joint session to receive the State of the Union Address by the President of the United States.

During the balance of the week Senate will consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: February 3, to hold hearings to examine the effects of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) on United States imports and exports of cattle and beef, 11 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Appropriations: February 3, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Information Technology Modernization Program, Trilogy, 2 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: February 1, to hold hearings to examine death benefits and services available to survivors of military personnel and legislative proposals to enhance these benefits, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

February 2, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing regarding training of Iraqi security forces, 4 p.m., SR-222.

February 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine U.S. military operations and stabilization activities in Iraq and Afghanistan, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Budget: February 1, to hold hearings to examine the Congressional Budget Office budget and economic outlook, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: February 1, organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations, committee's rules of procedure for the 109th Congress, and subcommittee assignments, 10 a.m., SR-253.

February 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the U.S. Tsunami Warning System, and S. 50, to authorize and strengthen the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's tsunami detection, forecast, warning, and mitigation program, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: February 3, to hold hearings to examine global energy trends and their potential impact on U.S. energy needs, security and policy, focusing on the 2005 annual energy outlook, perspectives on emerging world energy trends, including key factors affecting energy supply (such as OPEC and Russia) and energy demand (such as Asia), 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: February 2, to hold hearings to examine S.131, to amend the Clean Air Act to reduce air pollution through expansion of cap and trade programs, to provide an alternative regulatory classification for units subject to the cap and trade program, 9:15 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: February 2, to hold hearings to examine long term outlook for social security, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: February 1, to hold hearings to examine strategies for reshaping U.S. policy regarding Iraq and the Middle East, 9 a.m., SD-419.

February 1, Full Committee, organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations, committee's rules of procedure for the 109th Congress, and subcommittee assignments, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: February 2, organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations, committee's rules of procedure for the 109th Congress, and subcommittee assignments, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: February 2, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Michael Chertoff, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

February 3, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nomination of Michael Chertoff, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on the Judiciary: February 2, to hold hearings to examine FELA issues relating to asbestos, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

February 3, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: February 3, to hold hearings to examine benefits for survivors of those killed in the line of duty, 10 a.m., SR-418.

Special Committee on Aging: February 3, to hold hearings to examine current and future social security issues, 2 p.m., SD-628.

House Chamber

Program to be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Armed Services, February 2, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on the adequacy of Armed forces, 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, February 2, to meet for organizational purposes, and to consider an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress, 4:30 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, February 2, to meet for organizational purposes, and to consider an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress, 10:45 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, February 2, to meet for organizational purposes, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, February 2, to meet for organizational purposes, and to consider an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress, 2:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, February 2, hearing entitled "Confronting Recidivism: Prisoner Re-entry Programs and a Just Future for All Americans," 1 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, February 2, to meet for organizational purposes, and to consider an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, February 2, to meet for organizational purposes, 4:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, February 2, to meet for organizational purposes, and to consider an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, February 1, to consider the following: an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress; and a resolution expressing the continued support of Congress for equal access to military recruiters to institutions of higher education, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, February 2, hearing on Options for Hubble Science, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, February 2, to meet for organizational purposes, 10:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, February 2, to meet for organizational purposes, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:45 a.m., Tuesday, February 1

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Tuesday, February 1

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:45 a.m.), Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Alberto R. Gonzales, of Texas, to be Attorney General.

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

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Program to be announced.



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