

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3365–S3439

Measures Introduced: Eighteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 743–760, and S. Res. 102–103. **Pages S3413–14**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 95 yeas (Vote No. 87), Paul A. Crotty, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Lieutenant General Michael V. Hayden, United States Air Force, to be Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence.

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Measures Passed:

Airbus: By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 88), Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 25, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the application of Airbus for launch aid.

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Virginia Union University Panthers Men's Basketball Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 102, commending the Virginia Union University Panthers men's basketball team for winning the 2005 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II National Basketball Championship.

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Baylor University Women's Basketball Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 103, commending the Lady Bears of Baylor University for winning the 2005 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's Basketball Championship.

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Commemorating Attack: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 96, commemorating the tenth anniversary of the attack on the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Supplemental Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H.R. 1268, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending Sep-

tember 30, 2005, to establish and rapidly implement regulations for State driver's license and identification document security standards, to prevent terrorists from abusing the asylum laws of the United States, to unify terrorism-related grounds for inadmissibility and removal, to ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence, agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, which will be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendment.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:45 a.m., on Tuesday, April 12, 2005.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—88) **Page S3401**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 7:15 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, April 12, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3439.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded a hearing to examine the Chemical Demilitarization Program of the Department of Defense in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2006, after receiving testimony from Michael W. Wynne, Under

Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics; Claude M. Bolton, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics; Donald A. Mahley, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Arms Control; Dale E. Klein, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND EXEMPTION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 241, to amend section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934 to provide that funds received as universal service contributions and the universal service support programs established pursuant to that section are not subject to certain provisions of title 31, United States Code, commonly known as the Antideficiency Act, after receiving testimony from Austin C. Schlick, Acting General Counsel, and Lisa Gelb, Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, both of the Federal Communications Com-

mission; Patricia A. Dalton, Managing Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; Brian L. Talbott, Universal Service Administrative Company, Denver, Colorado; Sheryl Abshire, Calcasieu Parish Public Schools, Lake Charles, Louisiana; and Steve Hamlen, United Utilities, Inc., Anchorage, Alaska.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee began a hearing to examine the nominations of John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be U.S. Representative to United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and U.S. Representative in the Security Council of the United Nations, and Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, where the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12 for Morning Hour debate, and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Agriculture, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing regarding assessment of Iraqi Security Forces, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold closed hearings to examine Navy shipbuilding and industrial base status in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2006; to be followed by an open hearing in SR-232A, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michael D.

Griffin, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Joseph H. Boardman, of New York, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, Nancy Ann Nord, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and William Cobey, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 10:15 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine developing a reliable supply of oil from domestic oil shale and oil sands resources, focusing on opportunities to advance technology that will facilitate environmentally friendly development of oil shale and oil sands resources, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine management and planning issues for the National Mall, including the history of the development, security projects and other planned construction, and future development plans, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to continue hearings to examine the nominations of John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be U.S. Representative to United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and U.S. Representative in the Security Council of the United Nations, and Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John D. Negroponte, of New

York, to be Director of National Intelligence, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to continue hearings in closed session to examine the nomination of John D. Negroponte, of New York, to be Director of National Intelligence, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine role of employer-sponsored retirement plans in increasing national savings, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on Pandemic Preparedness and Influenza Vaccine Supply, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia and Independent Agencies, on the Federal Judiciary, 9:30 a.m., and on the Supreme Court, 1 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to continue mark up of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Reforming Credit Rating Agencies: The SEC’s Need for Statutory Authority,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization, hearing entitled “NSPS: The New Department of Defense Civilian

Personnel System—Reaching Readiness,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations hearing entitled “Oil-for-Food: The Inevitable Failure of U.N. Sanctions,” 11 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled “The Impact of Regulation on U.S. Manufacturing,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Science, and Technology, hearing entitled “The Need for Grant Reform and The Faster and Smarter Funding for First Responders Act of 2005,” 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 1528, Defending America’s Most Vulnerable Safe Access to Drug Treatment and Child Protection Act of 2005; followed by a markup of H.R. 1528 and H.R. 1279, Gang Deterrence and Community Protection Act of 2005, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, oversight hearing on Snowmobile Use in the National Park System, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 8, Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act of 2005; and S. 256, Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on Central Intelligence Program (CIAP) Budget, 1:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:45 a.m., Tuesday, April 12

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 12

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 1268, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations.

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

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: The House will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12 for Morning Hour debate, and 2 p.m. for legislative business.



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