

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Four bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3655–3658, and S. Res. 695–700. **Page S10176**

#### Measures Passed:

**Honor Flight Network:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 695, commending the Honor Flight Network and its volunteers and donors for making it possible for World War II veterans to travel to the Nation’s capital to visit the World War II Memorial created in their honor. **Page S10127**

**National Youth Court Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 696, designating September 2008 as “National Youth Court Month”. **Page S10127**

**National Cyber Security Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 697, supporting the goals and ideals of National Cyber Security Awareness Month and raising awareness and enhancing the state of computer security in the United States. **Pages S10127–28**

**National Mammography Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 698, designating October 17, 2008, as “National Mammography Day”. **Page S10128**

**Fire Prevention Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 699, supporting the work of firefighters to educate and protect the Nation’s communities, and the goals and ideals of Fire Prevention Week, October 5–11, 2008, as designated by the National Fire Protection Association. **Page S10128**

**United States Olympic Swimming Team:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 700, congratulating Michael Phelps and the members and coaches of the United States Olympic Swimming Team for their record-breaking performance at the 2008 Summer Olympic Games in Beijing, China. **Pages S10128–29**

**First Lieutenant Noah Harris Ellijay Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 6847, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 801 Industrial Boulevard in Ellijay, Georgia, as the “First Lieutenant Noah Harris Ellijay

Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10129**

**Lance Corporal Eric Paul Valdepenas Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 6874, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 156 Taunton Avenue in Seekonk, Massachusetts, as the “Lance Corporal Eric Paul Valdepenas Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10129**

**Jacob M. Lowell Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 6681, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 Vine Street in New Lenox, Illinois, as the “Jacob M. Lowell Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10129**

**Army SPC Daniel Agami Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 6338, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4233 West Hillsboro Boulevard in Coconut Creek, Florida, as the “Army SPC Daniel Agami Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10129**

**Mayor William ‘Bill’ Sandberg Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 6229, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2523 7th Avenue East in North Saint Paul, Minnesota, as the “Mayor William ‘Bill’ Sandberg Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10129–30**

**Kenneth Peter Zebrowski Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 6199, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 245 North Main Street in New City, New York, as the “Kenneth Peter Zebrowski Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10130**

**Murphy A. Tannehill Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 3511, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2150 East Hardtner Drive in Urania, Louisiana, as the “Murphy A. Tannehill Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10130**

**Barter Theatre 75th Anniversary:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 416, commending Barter Theatre on the occasion of its 75th anniversary. **Page S10130**

**“Celebrate Safe Communities” Week:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 662, raising the awareness of the need for crime prevention in communities across the country and designating the week of October 2, 2008, through October 4, 2008, as “Celebrate Safe Communities” week, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S10130**

**English Language Training Programs:** Senate passed S. 3658, to require the accreditation of English language training programs. **Pages S10181–82**

**Michael A. Marzano Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic:** Senate passed H.R. 1594, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Hermitage, Pennsylvania, as the Michael A. Marzano Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10183**

**Coastal Barrier Resources System Clam Pass Unit FL–64P:** Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1714, to clarify the boundaries of Coastal Barrier Resources System Clam Pass Unit FL–64P, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10183**

**Code Talkers Recognition Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4544, to require the issuance of medals to recognize the dedication and valor of Native American code talkers, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10183**

**Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act:** Senate passed H.R. 6045, to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2012, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10183–84**

**Federal Employees Receipt of Electronic Pay Stubs:** Senate passed H.R. 6073, to provide that Federal employees receiving their pay by electronic funds transfer shall be given the option of receiving their pay stubs electronically, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10184**

**State and Local Prosecutors National Training Program:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 6083, to authorize funding to conduct a national training program for State and local prosecutors, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10184**

**Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act:** Senate passed H.R. 6353, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to address online pharmacies, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10184–85**

**GSA and Parcels of Real Property:** Senate passed H.R. 6524, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to take certain actions with respect to parcels of real property located in Eastlake, Ohio, and Koochiching County, Minnesota, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10185–86**

**Vessel Hull Design Protection Amendments:** Senate passed H.R. 6531, to amend chapter 13 of title 17, United States Code (relating to the vessel hull design protection), to clarify the definitions of a hull and a deck, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10186**

**Sound Recordings By Webcasters:** Senate passed H.R. 7084, to amend section 114 of title 17, United States Code, to provide for agreements for the reproduction and performance of sound recordings by webcasters, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10186**

**National Guard and Reservists Debt Relief Act:** Senate passed S. 3197, to amend title 11, United States Code, to exempt for a limited period, from the application of the means-test presumption of abuse under chapter 7, qualifying members of reserve components of the Armed Forces and members of the National Guard who, after September 11, 2001, are called to active duty or to perform a homeland defense activity for not less than 90 days, after agreeing to the committee amendment. **Pages S10186–87**

#### Measures Considered:

**Federal Railroad Safety Improvement Act:** Senate continued consideration of the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2095, to amend title 49, United States Code, to prevent railroad fatalities, injuries, and hazardous materials releases, to authorize the Federal Railroad Safety Administration, taking action on the following motion and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S10119–26**

Pending:

Reid Motion to Concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill. **Page S10119**

Reid Amendment No. 5677 (to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill), to establish the enactment date. **Page S10119**

Reid Amendment No. 5678 (to Amendment No. 5677), of a perfecting nature. **Page S10119**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 1, 2008, the Senate continue consideration of the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill and that all post-cloture time be yielded back; provided further, that the time until 7:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders or their designees and that at 7:30 p.m., the motion to concur with an amendment be withdrawn, and Senate vote on the motion to concur provided further, that on Wednesday, October 1, 2008, there be 2 minutes of debate equally divided prior to each vote; and that after the first vote of any sequence, the succeeding votes be 10 minutes in duration; and that no motion to refer be in order during the pendency of this message.

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### House Messages:

**Keeping the Internet Devoid of Sexual Predators Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 431, to require convicted sex offenders to register online identifiers, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Broadband Data Improvement Act:** Senate concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to S. 1492, to improve the quality of federal and state data regarding the availability and quality of broadband services and to promote the deployment of affordable broadband services to all parts of the Nation, clearing the measure for the President.

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### Appointments:

*Commission on the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade:* The Chair, on behalf of the Minority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 110–183, announced the appointment of the following individual as a member of the Commission on the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade: Rainier Spencer of Nevada.

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*Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance:* The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 99–498, as amended by Public Law 110–315, appointed the following individual to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: Norman Bedford of Nevada.

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**United States—India Nuclear Cooperation Approval and Nonproliferation Enhancement Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 1, 2008, Senate begin consideration of H.R. 7081, to approve the United States-India Agreement for Cooperation on Peaceful

Uses of Nuclear Energy, and that there be 60 minutes of general debate on the bill, with the time equally divided and controlled between the Leaders, or their designees; that the only first-degree amendments in order be those listed in this agreement, with no other amendments in order, and debate time limited on each amendment to 60 minutes, with the time equally divided and controlled in the usual form; provided further, that an additional debate time of 15 minutes each be provided to Senators Feingold and Harkin: Dorgan amendment relative to clarifying policy in event of Indian test, Bingaman amendment relative to reporting requirement in event of Indian test, and that the amendments in this agreement be subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold and that if the amendment achieves that threshold then it be agreed to; that if the amendment does not achieve affirmative 60-vote threshold, then it be withdrawn; that upon the use or yielding back of time with respect to each amendment, Senate vote in relation to the amendment; that upon disposition of all amendments, the use or yielding back of general debate time, the bill be read a third time, and without further intervening action or debate, Senate vote on passage of the bill, as amended, if amended; provided further that passage of the bill requires 60 votes.

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**Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that on Wednesday, October 1, 2008, following the debate with respect to H.R. 7081, United States-India Nuclear Cooperation Approval and Nonproliferation Enhancement Act, Senate begin consideration of H.R. 1424, to amend section 712 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, section 2705 of the Public Health Service Act, section 9812 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require equity in the provision of mental health and substance-related disorder benefits under group health plans, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment; that once the bill is reported, the amendment of the Senator Dodd be considered, only if both Leaders are in concurrence with the provisions of the Dodd amendment and have so notified the Chair; provided further, that there be 90 minutes of general debate on the Dodd amendment, with the time equally divided and controlled between the Leaders or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of this time, the Dodd amendment be set aside; provided further, that the only other amendment in order be the amendment of the Senator Sanders relative to a tax on high income individuals; that there be 60 minutes of debate with respect to the Sanders

amendment, with the time equally divided and controlled in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of all time with respect to the bill and amendments, the measure be set aside to recur upon the disposition of H.R. 7081; provided further, that with respect to the disposition of the amendments to H.R. 1424, the first vote occur with respect to the Sanders amendment; provided, that upon the disposition of the Sanders amendment, Senate consider the Dodd amendment, and that upon the disposition of that amendment, the bill, as amended, if amended, and Senate vote on passage of the bill, with the above occurring without further intervening action or debate; provided, that the Dodd amendment and the bill both be subject to a affirmative 60-vote threshold; provided further, that on Wednesday, October 1, 2008, there be 2 minutes of debate equally divided prior to each vote; and that after the first vote of any sequence, the succeeding votes be 10 minutes in duration. **Pages S10187–88**

**Nomination Received:** Senate received the following nomination:

Robert W. McGowan, of Nevada, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2015. **Page S10188**

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**Recess:** Senate convened at 10:01 a.m. and recessed at 7:16 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, October 1, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10188.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12 p.m. on Thursday, October 2, 2008.

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2008

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

### House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

## Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Wednesday, October 1

## Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 p.m., Thursday, October 2

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 7081, United-States—India Nuclear Cooperation Approval and Nonproliferation Enhancement Act, and after a period of debate, consider certain amendments, and vote on passage of the bill.

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

## House Chamber

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

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