

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S259–S331

Measures Introduced: Twenty bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2207–2226; and S. Res. 358. **Page S329**

Supreme Court Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Samuel A. Alito, Jr., of New Jersey, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. **Pages S260–S323**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, January 31, 2006; that the time until 11 a.m. be under the control of certain Members; further, that at 11 a.m. Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination. **Page S331**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 72 yeas to 25 nays (Vote No. 1), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S308**

Bernanke Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following the vote on the nomination of Samuel A. Alito (listed above), on Tuesday, January 31, 2006, Senate begin consideration of the nominations of Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member and to be Chairman, of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; that at 2:15 p.m., Senator Bunning be recognized for 30 minutes, and 60 minutes equally divided between the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; and that following the use, or yielding back, of time, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations. **Page S331**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—1) **Page S308**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:44 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, January 31, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S331.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HURRICANE KATRINA

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee continued hearings to examine Hurricane Katrina response issues, focusing on urban search and rescue during a catastrophe, receiving testimony from William M. Lokey, Operations Branch Chief, Response Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; Brigadier General Brod Veillon, Louisiana National Guard, Jackson; Lieutenant Colonel Keith LaCaze, Louisiana Department of Wildlife, Baton Rouge; and Timothy P. Bayard, New Orleans Police Department, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Committee will meet again on Tuesday, January 31, 2006.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12 noon on Tuesday, January 31, 2006.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine pandemic influenza preparedness at Federal, State and Local levels, 8:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to continue hearings to examine video content, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kristie A. Kenney, of Virginia, to

be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines, and Michael W. Michalak, of Michigan, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Senior Official to the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Forum, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., of South Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, and Richard Stickler, of West Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to continue hearings to examine Hurricane Katrina response issues, focusing on the challenges during a catastrophe, including the evacuation of New Orleans in advance of Hurricane Katrina, 10 a.m., SD-342.

House

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: a resolution agreeing to the Senate Amendment for S. 1932, Deficit Reduction Act of 2005; a measure to amend the USA PATRIOT Act to extend the sunset of certain provisions of such Act; and a resolution to eliminate floor privileges and access to Member exercise facilities for registered lobbyists who are Former Members or Officers of the House, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:45 a.m., Tuesday, January 31

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Tuesday, January 31

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Samuel A. Alito, Jr., of New Jersey, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, with a vote to occur on confirmation of the nomination at 11 a.m.; following which, Senate will begin consideration of the nominations of Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member and to be Chairman, of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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

(At approximately 8:40 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.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: To be announced.



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