

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S303–S368

Measures Introduced: Three bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2557–2559, and S. Res. 426–431. **Page S329**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating Stanford University Women's Cross Country Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 426, congratulating the Stanford University women's cross country team on winning the 2007 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Championship. **Page S366**

Congratulating University of California at Berkeley Men's Water Polo Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 427, congratulating the University of California at Berkeley men's water polo team for winning the 2007 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Championship. **Pages S366–67**

Congratulating University of Southern California Women's Soccer Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 428, congratulating the University of Southern California women's soccer team on winning the 2007 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Championship. **Page S367**

Measures Considered:

FISA Amendments Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 2248, to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, to modernize and streamline the provisions of that Act. **Pages S305–10, S317–20**

Pending:

Rockefeller/Bond Amendment No. 3911, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S305**

Feingold/Dodd Amendment No. 3909 (to Amendment No. 3911), to require that certain records be submitted to Congress. **Page S306**

Bond Amendment No. 3916 (to Amendment No. 3909), of a perfecting nature. **Page S306**

Reid Amendment No. 3918 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Rockefeller/Bond Amendment No. 3911), relative to the extension of the Protect America Act of 2007. **Page S306**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the bill at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, January 28, 2008, and that the time until 4:30 p.m., be equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees, with the final 20 minutes equally divided between the two Leaders, with the Majority Leader in control of the final 10 minutes, and that the cloture vote on Reid Amendment No. 3918 (listed above), not occur prior to the 4:30 p.m. cloture vote; provided further, that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 22, that all second-degree amendments be filed at the desk by 4 p.m., on Monday, January 28, 2008. **Page S367**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Robert J. Battista, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2009.

Gerard Morales, of Arizona, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2012.

Dennis P. Walsh, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2008.

Dennis P. Walsh, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2013.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Navy. **Pages S367–68**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Dennis P. Walsh, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2009, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 2007.

Peter N. Kirsanow, of Ohio, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2008, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 2007. **Page S368**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Page S328**

Measures Read the First Time: **Page S328**

Executive Communications: **Pages S328–29**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S329–30**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Pages S330–33**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S333–66**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 1:54 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, January 28, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S367.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: On Thursday, January 24, 2008, Committee announced the following membership:

Senators Akaka (Chair), Rockefeller, Murray, Obama, Sanders, Brown, Webb, Tester, Burr, Specter, Craig, Isakson, Graham, Hutchison, and Wicker.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, January 28, 2008, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 279.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 28 through February 2, 2008

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 2248, FISA Amendments Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Rockefeller/Bond Amendment No. 3911 at 4:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week Senate will consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills, and conference reports, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: January 31, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold an oversight hearing to examine military recruiting, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: January 31, to hold hearings to examine strengthening our economy, focusing on foreclosure and neighborhood preservation, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: January 29, to hold hearings to examine the long-term budget outlook, 10 a.m., SD-608.

January 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the economic stimulus, focusing on budget policy for

a strong economy over the short- and long-term budget outlook, 10 a.m., SD-608.

January 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the long-term outlook and sources of growth in health care spending, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: January 30, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

January 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 2323, to provide for the conduct of carbon capture and storage technology research, development, and demonstration projects, and S. 2144, to require the Secretary of Energy to conduct a study of feasibility relating to the construction and operation of pipelines and carbon dioxide sequestration facilities, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: January 30, to hold hearings to examine the threats and protections for the polar bear, 10 a.m., SD-406.

January 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine a report on the National Surface Transportation Policy and Revenue Study Commission, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: January 29, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Douglas H. Shulman, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

January 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine private fees for service in Medicare Advantage plans, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: January 30, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of James K. Glassman, of Connecticut, to be Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy with the rank of Ambassador, Goli Ameri, of Oregon, to be Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, and David J. Kramer, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, all of the Department of State, 11 a.m., SD-419.

January 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Afghanistan, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: January 31, to hold hearings to examine weathering the economic storm, focusing on helping working families in troubling times, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: January 31, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine eliminating agency payment errors, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: January 30, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SH-216.

January 31, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1638, to adjust the salaries of Federal justices and judges, S. 352, to provide for media coverage of Federal court proceedings, S. 2450, to amend the Federal Rules of Evidence to address the waiver of the attorney-client privilege and the work product doctrine, S. 2304, to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide grants for the improved mental health treatment and services provided to offenders with mental illnesses, and the nominations of Mark R. Filip, of Illinois, to be Deputy Attorney General, Ondray T. Harris, of Virginia, to be Director, Community Relations Service, and David W. Hagy, of Texas, to be Director of the National Institute of Justice, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: January 30, to hold hearings to examine the Small Business Administration's accountability, focusing on the efficacy of women's contracting and lender oversight, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

Special Committee on Aging: January 31, to hold hearings to examine elderly voters, focusing on opportunities and challenges for the 2008 election, 10:30 a.m., SH-216.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, January 29, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, DOD Inspector General on Outsourcing, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, January 29, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Interagency Reform: Can the Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) Case Study Illuminate the Future of Reconstruction and Stabilization Operations? 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, January 29, hearing on Using Fiscal Policy to Bolster the U.S. Economy, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and Labor, January 29, hearing on H.R. 3195, ADA Restoration Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, January 29, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Covering Uninsured Kids: Missed Opportunities for Moving Forward," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

January 29, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to vote on the issuance of subpoenas for witnesses and documents in connection with the Subcommittee's ongoing investigation into the adequacy of the efforts of the FDA to protect the American public from excessive risks from prescription drugs and other matters, 9:30

a.m., followed by a hearing entitled "Science and Mission at Risk: FDA's Self-Assessment," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

January 29, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Internet, hearing entitled "Public, Educational, and Governmental (PEG) Services in the Digital TV Age," 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, January 29, hearing entitled "Ensuring Safe and Effective Housing Programs in the Wake of Disasters," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, January 29, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on the Growing Mortgage Foreclosure Crisis: Identifying Solutions and Dispelling Myths, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

January 29, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, oversight hearing on Reform of the State Secrets Privilege, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

January 29, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on Enforcement of Federal Espionage Laws, 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, January 29, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on the Immediate Federal and State Role in Addressing Uncertain Water Deliveries for California and the Impacts on California Communities," 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, January 29, to consider the following measures: H. Con. Res. 273, Recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences; H. Res. 76, Urging the establishment and observation of a legal public holiday in honor of Cesar E. Chavez; H. Res. 867, Commending the Houston Dynamo soccer team for winning the 2007 Major League Soccer Cup; H.R. 3532, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5815 McLeod Street in Lula, Georgia, as the "Private Johnathon Millican Lula Post Office;" H.R. 3936, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 116 Highway in Cleveland, Georgia as the "Sgt. Jason Harkins Post Office Building;" H.R. 4203, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3035 Stone Mountain Street in Lithonia, Georgia, as the "Jamaal RaShard Addison Post Office Building;" H.R. 4454, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3050 Hunsinger Lane in Louisville, Kentucky, as the "Iraq and Afghanistan Fallen Military Heroes of Louisville Memorial Post Office Building;" in honor of the servicemen and women from Louisville, Kentucky, who died in service during Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom; H.R. 5135, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 West Greenway Street in Derby, Kansas, as the "Sergeant Jamie O. Maugans Post Office Building;" S. 2272, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service known as the Southpark Station in Alexandria, Louisiana, as the "John 'Marty' Thiels Southpark Station," in honor and memory of Thiels, a Louisiana postal worker who was killed in the line of duty on October 4, 2007; and S. 2478, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 59 Colby in East Hampstead, New Hampshire, as the "Captain Jonathan D. Grassbaugh Post

Office;" followed by a hearing on Addressing the Screening Gap: The National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

January 29, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census and National Archives, to consider H.R. 3548, Plain Language in Government Communications Act of 2007, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

January 29, Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, to continue hearings on Pakistani Elections: Will They Be Free and Fair or Fundamentally Flawed (Part II), 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, January 28, to consider H.R. 1528, New England National Scenic Trail Designation Act, 4 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, January 29, hearing entitled "SBIR: America's National Technology Development Incubator," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, January 29, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on the Use of Artificial Intelligence to Improve the VA's Claims Processing System, 2 p.m., 340 Cannon.

January 29, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on VA Credentialing and Privileging: A Patient Safety Issue, 10 a.m., 340 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, January 29, executive, briefing on Pakistan, 1 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, January 30, hearing entitled "Learning from a Laureate: Science, Security and Sustainability," 9 a.m., room to be announced.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: February 1, to hold hearings to examine the current economic outlook, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, January 28

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, January 28

Senate Chamber

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House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.



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