

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1639–1646, S. Res. 237–238, and S. Con. Res. 38. **Page S7810**

Measures Reported:

S.J. Res. 4, to acknowledge a long history of official depredations and ill-conceived policies by the United States Government regarding Indian tribes and offer an apology to all Native Peoples on behalf of the United States. (S. Rept. No. 110–83)

S. 1644, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. (S. Rept. No. 110–84)

S. 1645, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. (S. Rept. No. 110–85)

S. 1606, to provide for the establishment of a comprehensive policy on the care and management of wounded warriors in order to facilitate and enhance their care, rehabilitation, physical evaluation, transition from care by the Department of Defense to care by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and transition from military service to civilian life, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7809–10**

Measures Passed:

Adjustment of Senate Employee Salaries: Senate agreed to S. Res. 238, amending Senate Resolution 458 (98th Congress) to allow the Secretary of the Senate to adjust the salaries of employees who are placed on the payroll of the Senate, under the direction of the Secretary, as a result of the death or resignation of a Senator. **Page S7833**

Measures Considered:

Clean Energy Act: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 6, to reduce our Nation's dependency on foreign oil by investing in clean, renewable, and alternative energy resources, promoting new emerging energy technologies, developing greater efficiency, and creating a Strategic Energy Efficiency and Renewables Reserve to invest in alternative energy, tak-

ing action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7804–07**

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 1502, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7804**

Reid (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 1537 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for a renewable portfolio standard. **Page S7804**

Klobuchar (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 1573 (to Amendment No. 1537), to provide for a renewable portfolio standard. **Page S7804**

Bingaman (for Klobuchar) Amendment No. 1557 (to Amendment No. 1502), to establish a national greenhouse gas registry. **Page S7804**

Kohl Amendment No. 1519 (to Amendment No. 1502), to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal. **Page S7804**

Kohl (for DeMint) Amendment No. 1546 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide that legislation that would increase the national average fuel prices for automobiles is subject to a point of order in the Senate. **Page S7804**

Corker Amendment No. 1608 (to Amendment No. 1502), to allow clean fuels to meet the renewable fuel standard. **Page S7804**

Cardin Amendment No. 1520 (to Amendment No. 1502), to promote the energy independence of the United States. **Page S7804**

Domenici (for Thune) Amendment No. 1609 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide requirements for the designation of national interest electric transmission corridors. **Page S7804**

Cardin Amendment No. 1610 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for the siting, construction, expansion, and operation of liquefied natural gas terminals. **Page S7804**

Collins Amendment No. 1615 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for the development and coordination of a comprehensive and integrated United States research program that assists the people of the United States and the world to understand, assess, and predict human-induced and natural processes of abrupt climate change. **Page S7804**

Domenici (for Bunning/Domenici) Amendment No. 1628 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide standards for clean coal-derived fuels. **Pages S7804–05**

Bingaman (for Tester) Amendment No. 1614 (to Amendment No. 1502), to establish a program to provide loans for projects to produce syngas from coal and other feedstocks while simultaneously reducing greenhouse gas emissions and reliance of the United States on petroleum and natural gas.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11:00 a.m., on Tuesday, June 19, 2007, and that there be up to 2 1/2 hours of debate prior to a vote on or in relation to Domenici (for Bunning/Domenici) Amendment No. 1628 (to Amendment No. 1502) (listed above) and Bingaman (for Tester) Amendment No. 1614 (to Amendment No. 1502) (listed above), to run concurrently with the time equally divided and controlled between Senators Bunning and Tester, or their designees; provided further, that at 2:15 p.m., Senate resume debate on the above-mentioned amendments and that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on or in relation to Domenici (for Bunning/Domenici) Amendment No. 1628 (to Amendment No. 1502) (listed above), and that upon disposition of that amendment, there be 2 minutes of debate prior to a vote on or in relation to Bingaman (for Tester) Amendment No. 1614 (to Amendment No. 1502) (listed above), with no amendment in order to either of the above amendments prior to the votes; that upon disposition of the Bingaman (for Tester) Amendment No. 1614 (to Amendment No. 1502) (listed above), Senate debate consecutively, the following amendments listed below and that the debate time on each be limited to 30 minutes equally divided and controlled in the usual form; that no amendment be in order to any of the amendments enumerated below, and that upon the use or yielding back of all time with respect to the amendments listed below, Senate vote on or in relation to the amendments in the order listed, that there be 2 minutes of debate equally divided and controlled prior to each vote and that after the first vote in this sequence, the remaining votes be 10 minutes in duration:

Kohl Amendment No. 1519 (to Amendment No. 1502), Domenici (for Thune) Amendment No. 1609 (to Amendment No. 1502), and Cardin Amendment No. 1610 (to Amendment No. 1502) (all listed above).

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Appointments:

Senate National Security Working Group for the 110th Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 105 (adopted April 13, 1989), as amended by S. Res. 149 (adopted October 5, 1993), as

amended by Public Law 105–275, further amended by S. Res. 75 (adopted March 25, 1999), amended by S. Res. 383 (adopted October 27, 2000), and amended by S. Res. 355 (adopted November 13, 2002), and further amended by S. Res. 480 (adopted November 20, 2004), the appointment of the following Senators to serve as members of the Senate National Security Working Group for the 110th Congress: Senators Lugar, Warner, Sessions, Domenici, and Corker.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Paul R. Brubaker, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Research and Innovative Technology Administration, Department of Transportation.

Nancy Goodman Brinker, of Florida, to be Chief of Protocol, and to have the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service.

Eunice S. Reddick, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Gabonese Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe.

David W. James, of Missouri, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Steven H. Murdock, of Texas, to be Director of the Census.

37 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

38 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:41 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 19, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7833.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 2761–2763, 2765–2767; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 491–495 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 885, to support the establishment of an international regime for the assured supply of nuclear fuel for peaceful means and to authorize voluntary contributions to the International Atomic Energy Agency to support the establishment of an international nuclear fuel bank, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–196) and

H.R. 2764, making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008 (H. Rept. 110–197).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hirono to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:38 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission: Representatives Moore (KS), Boswell, Thornberry, and Moran (KS).

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Recognizing Stax Records for enriching the Nation's Cultural life with "50 years of soul": H. Res. 154, amended, to recognize Stax Records for enriching the Nation's Cultural life with "50 years of soul";

Pages H6583–85

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Recognizing the rich and resounding impact 50 years of Memphis-originating soul music has offered to American music history."

Page H6585

Congratulating the University of Arizona Wildcats for winning the 2007 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Softball Championship: H. Res. 475, to congratulate the University of Arizona Wildcats for winning the 2007 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Softball Championship;

Pages H6585–86

Expressing appreciation for the profound public service and educational contributions of Donald

Jeffrey Herbert, fondly known as "Mr. Wizard": H. Res. 485, to express appreciation for the profound public service and educational contributions of Donald Jeffrey Herbert, fondly known as "Mr. Wizard";

Pages H6586–88

Celebrating the accomplishments of title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, also known as the Patsy Takemoto Mink Equal Opportunity in Education Act, and recognizing the need to continue pursuing the goal of educational opportunities for women and girls: H. Res. 406, to celebrate the accomplishments of title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, also known as the Patsy Takemoto Mink Equal Opportunity in Education Act, and to recognize the need to continue pursuing the goal of educational opportunities for women and girls;

Pages H6588–91

Recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day, and expressing the sense of Congress that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and more effectively facing the challenges of the future: H. Con. Res. 155, to recognize the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day, and to express the sense of Congress that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and more effectively facing the challenges of the future;

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Recognizing the significance of National Caribbean-American Heritage Month: H. Con. Res. 148, to recognize the significance of National Caribbean-American Heritage Month;

Pages H6593–94

Major Scott Nisely Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 2563, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 309 East Linn Street in Marshalltown, Iowa, as the "Major Scott Nisely Post Office", by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 386 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 499;

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Clem Rogers McSpadden Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 2127, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 408 West 6th Street in Chelsea, Oklahoma, as the "Clem Rogers McSpadden Post Office Building";

Pages H6596–97

International Nuclear Fuel for Peace and Non-proliferation Act of 2007: H.R. 885, amended, to support the establishment of an international regime for the assured supply of nuclear fuel for peaceful means and to authorize voluntary contributions to the International Atomic Energy Agency to support

the establishment of an international nuclear fuel bank; **Pages H6597–H6600**

Honoring the life and six decades of public service of Jacob Birnbaum and especially his commitment freeing Soviet Jews from religious, cultural, and communal extinction: H. Res. 137, amended, to honor the life and six decades of public service of Jacob Birnbaum and especially his commitment freeing Soviet Jews from religious, cultural, and communal extinction; **Pages H6605–07**

Calling on the Government of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) to recommit to a political solution to the conflict in northern Uganda and to recommence vital peace talks, and urging immediate and substantial support for the ongoing peace process from the United States and the international community: H. Con. Res. 80, amended, to call on the Government of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) to recommit to a political solution to the conflict in northern Uganda and to recommence vital peace talks, and to urge immediate and substantial support for the ongoing peace process from the United States and the international community; **Pages H6607–10**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Calling on the Government of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) to recommit to a political solution to the conflict in northern Uganda by engaging in good-faith negotiations, and urging immediate and substantial support for the ongoing peace process from the United States and the international community." **Page H6610**

Noting the disturbing pattern of killings of dozens of independent journalists in Russia over the last decade, and calling on Russian President Vladimir Putin to authorize cooperation with outside investigators in solving those murders: H. Con. Res. 151, amended, to note the disturbing pattern of killings of dozens of independent journalists in Russia over the last decade, and to call on Russian President Vladimir Putin to authorize cooperation with outside investigators in solving those murders, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 388 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 500; **Pages H6610–12, H6630**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Noting the disturbing pattern of killings of numerous independent journalists in Russia since 2000, and urging Russian President Vladimir Putin to authorize cooperation with outside investigators in solving those murders." **Page H6610**

Recognizing over 200 years of sovereignty of the Principality of Liechtenstein, and expressing support for efforts by the United States to continue to strengthen its relationship with that country: H. Res. 233, amended, to recognize over 200 years of

sovereignty of the Principality of Liechtenstein, and expressing support for efforts by the United States to continue to strengthen its relationship with that country, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 389 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 501; **Pages H6612–15, H6630**

SBA Veterans' Programs Act of 2007: H.R. 2366, to reauthorize the veterans entrepreneurial development programs of the Small Business Administration; and **Pages H6620–22, H6623–24**

SBA Women's Business Programs Act of 2007: H.R. 2397, to reauthorize the women's entrepreneurial development programs of the Small Business Administration. **Pages H6627–29**

Providing for earmark reform: Agreed by unanimous consent to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 491, providing for earmark reform. **Pages H6622–23**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Tuesday, June 19th:

Dr. Francis Townsend Post Office Building Designation Act: S. 1352, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 127 East Locust Street in Fairbury, Illinois, as the "Dr. Francis Townsend Post Office Building"; **Pages H6591–92**

Calling on the United Nations Security Council to charge Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad with violating the 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and the United Nations Charter because of his calls for the destruction of the State of Israel: H. Con. Res. 21, amended, to call on the United Nations Security Council to charge Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad with violating the 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and the United Nations Charter because of his calls for the destruction of the State of Israel; **Pages H6600–05**

SBA Entrepreneurial Development Programs Act of 2007: H.R. 2359, to reauthorize programs to assist small business concerns; and **Pages H6615–20**

Amending the Small Business Act to expand and improve the assistance provided by Small Business Development Centers to Indian tribe members, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians: H.R. 2284, to amend the Small Business Act to expand and improve the assistance provided by Small Business Development Centers to Indian tribe members, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians. **Pages H6624–27**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6662.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6629, H6630, H6630–31. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 10 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 4 p.m., SD–124.

Committee on Armed Services: business meeting to consider the nomination of Preston M. Geren, of Texas, to be Secretary of the Army, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, “Energy Advancement and Investment Act of 2007”, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of June Carter Perry, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Sierra Leone, Frederick B. Cook, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic, Robert B. Nolan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho, and Maurice S. Parker, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Swaziland, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Democracy and Human Rights, to hold hearings to examine the passport backlog and the Department of State’s response to the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the federal government, focusing on a model public-private partnership accelerating research toward a cure, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John A. Rizzo, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency, 2:30 p.m., SD–106.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, to consider H.R. 2419, Farm Bill Extension Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Education and Labor, Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness, hearing on Building on the Success of 35 Years of Title IX, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up the following: Prescription Drug User Fee Amendments of 2007; Medical Device User Fee Amendments of 2007; Best Pharmaceuticals for Children Amendment of 2007; Pediatric Research Improvement Act; to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve drug safety; To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of a clinical trial registry database and a clinical trial results database; To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to conflicts of interest; To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for the establishment of the Reagan-Udall Institute for Applied Biomedical Research; and the Pediatric Medical Device Safety and Improvement Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing on Credit Reports: Consumers’ Ability to Dispute and Change Inaccurate Information, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on South America and the United States: How to Fix a Broken Relationship, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Working in a War Zone: Post Traumatic Stress Disorders in Civilians Returning from Iraq, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Management, Investigations and Oversight, hearing on Ensuring We Have Well-Trained Boots on the Ground at the Border, 11 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Transportation Security, and Infrastructure Protection, hearing on Keeping the Border Secure: Examining Potential Threats Posed by Cross Border Trucking, 1:30 p.m., 1539 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on War Profiteering and Other Contractor Crimes Committed Overseas, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law, to continue hearings on Comprehensive Immigration Reform: Government Perspectives on Immigration Statistics, 4 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1834, National Ocean Exploration Program Act; and H.R. 2400, Ocean and Coastal Mapping Integration Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, oversight hearing on Wildfire Preparedness: An Ounce of Prevention is Worth a Pound of Cure, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing on Protecting Patient Privacy in Healthcare Information Systems, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, , to consider the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs appropriations for fiscal year 2008, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Research, Education and Training Programs to Facilitate Adoption of Solar Energy Technologies, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on the Role of Community Colleges and Industry in Meeting the Demand for Skilled Production Workers and Technicians in the 21st Century Economy, 3 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 585, To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the number of individuals qualifying for retroactive benefits from traumatic injury protection coverage under Servicemembers' Group Life Insur-

ance; H.R. 156, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the survivors of former prisoners of war who died on or before September 30, 1999, under the same eligibility conditions as apply to payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the survivors of former prisoners of war who died after that date; and H.R. 704, To amend title 38, United States Code, to reduce from age 57 to age 55 the age after which the remarriage of the surviving spouse of a deceased veteran shall not result in termination of dependency and indemnity compensation otherwise payable to that surviving spouse, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support, hearing on Disconnected and Disadvantaged Youth, 1 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on CIA Contractor Policy, 3 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, hearing on Green Cities: Mayoral Initiatives to Reduce Global Warming Pollution, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, June 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Tuesday, June 19

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. 6, CLEAN Energy Act, and after a period of debate, vote on or in relation to the Domenici (for Bunning/Domenici) Amendment No. 1628, and Bingaman (for Tester) Amendment No. 1614.

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

House Chamber

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