

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1813–S1883

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 476–489. **Pages S1866–67**

Measures Passed:

Permitting Use of Capitol Rotunda: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 79, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award a Congressional gold medal to Jackie Robinson (posthumously), in recognition of his many contributions to the Nation. **Page S1882**

Bankruptcy Reform Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 256, a bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1820–31, S1834–57**

Adopted:

By 63 yeas to 32 nays (Vote No. 12), Sessions Amendment No. 23, to clarify the safe harbor with respect to debtors who have serious medical conditions or who have been called or ordered to active duty in the Armed Forces and low income veterans. **Pages S1848–50, S1853–54**

Rejected: 1 By 38 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 13), Durbin Modified Amendment No. 16, to protect servicemembers and veterans from means testing in bankruptcy, to disallow certain claims by lenders charging usurious interest rates to servicemembers, and to allow servicemembers to exempt property based on the law of the State of their premilitary residence. **Pages S1827–29, S1854**

Pending:

Feingold Amendment No. 17, to provide a homestead floor for the elderly. **Pages S1829–31**

Akaka Amendment No. 15, to require enhanced disclosure to consumers regarding the consequences of making only minimum required payments in the repayment of credit card debt. **Pages S1834–41**

Leahy Amendment No. 26, to restrict access to certain personal information in bankruptcy documents. **Page S1850**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:15 a.m., on Wednesday, March 2, 2005, and that the Senate vote in relation to Feingold Amendment No. 17 (listed above), to be followed by a vote in relation to Akaka Amendment No. 15 (listed above); and provided further, that no amendment be in order to either amendment prior to those votes. **Page S1882**

Appointments:

British-American Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2761, as amended, appointed Senator Cochran as Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the British-American Interparliamentary Group conference during the 109th Congress. **Page S1882**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Brian Edward Sandoval, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

32 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

30 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force. **Pages S1882–83**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—13) **Pages S1853–54**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:03 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Wednesday, March 2, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on Page S1882.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine military strategy and operational requirements from combatant commanders in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2006, after receiving testimony from General James L. Jones, Jr., USMC, Commander, United States European Command, Supreme Allied Commander, Europe; General John P. Abizaid, USA, Commander, U.S. Central Command; and General Bryan D. Brown, USA, Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command.

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Ronald Rosenfeld, of Oklahoma, to be a Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, after the nominee, who was introduced by former Oklahoma Governor Frank Keating, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUDGET: DEFENSE

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2006 for defense, after receiving testimony from Paul Wolfowitz, Deputy Secretary, General Peter Pace, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Tina Jonas, Under Secretary (Comptroller), all of the Department of Defense.

BUDGET: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Gale A. Norton, Secretary, and Lynn Scarlett, Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management, and Budget, both of the Department of the Interior.

DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN PROPOSAL

Committee on Finance: Committee held a hearing to examine the financial status of Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation and the Administration's Defined

Benefit Plan Funding Proposal, receiving testimony from Mark J. Warshawsky, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Economic Policy; Ann L. Combs, Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Employee Benefits Security Administration; Bradley D. Belt, Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation; Larry Zimpleman, Principal Financial Group, Des Moines, Iowa, on behalf of the Business Roundtable; Alan Reuther, United Auto Workers, Washington, D.C.; and Randall S. Kroszner, The University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, Chicago, Illinois.

Hearings recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

FDA's DRUG APPROVAL PROCESS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee held a hearing to examine Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) drug approval process, focusing on FDA's drug approval process after a sponsor demonstrates that their benefits outweigh their risks for a specific population and use, and that the drug meets standards for safety and efficacy, receiving testimony from Sandra L. Kweder, Deputy Director, Office of New Drugs, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Nancy Davenport-Ennis, National Patient Advocate Foundation, Scott Gottlieb, American Enterprise Institute, and William B. Schultz, Zuckerman Spaeder, LLP, all of Washington, D.C.; Thomas R. Fleming, University of Washington Department of Biostatistics, Seattle; David Fassler, University of Vermont College of Medicine, Burlington, on behalf of American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and the American Psychiatric Association; and Abbey S. Meyers, National Organization for Rare Disorders, Danbury, Connecticut.

Hearings recessed until Thursday, March 3.

NATIVE HAWAIIAN GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 147, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity, after receiving testimony from Representative Case and Delegate Faleomavaega; Hawaii Governor Linda Lingle, Hawaii State Attorney General Mark Ben-Haunani Apoliona, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Micah Kane, State Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, and Jade Danner, Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement, all of Honolulu; Tex Hall, National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D.C.; and Julie Kitka, Alaska Federation of Natives, Anchorage, Alaska.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of William

Gerry Myers III, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Craig, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 40 public bills, H.R. 994–1033; 2 private bills, H.R. 1034–1035; and; 9 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 79–80, and H. Res. 124, 127–132 were introduced. **Pages H845–47**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H847–49**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on February 24, 2005: H.R. 841, to require States to hold special elections to fill vacancies in the House of Representatives not later than 45 days after the vacancy is announced by the Speaker of the House of Representatives in extraordinary circumstances, amended, referred sequentially to the House Committee on the Judiciary for a period ending not later than Feb. 24, 2005 (H. Rept. 109–8, Pt. 1);

Filed on February 25, 2005: H.R. 27, to enhance the workforce investment system of the Nation by strengthening one-stop career centers, providing for more effective governance arrangements, promoting access to a more comprehensive array of employment, training, and related services, establishing a targeted approach to serving youth, and improving performance accountability, amended (H. Rept. 109–9);

Supplemental report on H.R. 27, to enhance the workforce investment system of the Nation by strengthening one-stop career centers, providing for more effective governance arrangements, promoting access to a more comprehensive array of employment, training, and related services, establishing a targeted approach to serving youth, and improving performance accountability (H. Rept. 109–9, Pt. 2);

H. Res. 125, providing for consideration of H.R. 841, to require States to hold special elections to fill vacancies in the House of Representatives not later than 45 days after the vacancy is announced by the Speaker of the House of Representatives in extraordinary circumstances (H. Rept. 109–10); and

H. Res. 126, providing for consideration of H.R. 27, to enhance the workforce investment system of the Nation by strengthening one-step career centers, providing for more effective governance arrangements, promoting access to a more comprehensive array of employment, training, and related services,

establishing a targeted approach to serving youth, and improving performance accountability (H. Rept. 109–11). **Page H845**

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

Providing for acceptance of a statue of Sarah Winnemucca, presented by the people of Nevada: H. Con. Res. 5, amended, providing for the acceptance of a statue of Sarah Winnemucca, presented by the people of Nevada, for placement in National Statuary Hall, by a 2/3 ye and nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 40;

Pages H800–03, H810–11

Permitting the use of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust: H. Con. Res. 63, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust, by a 2/3 ye and nay vote of 416 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 41;

Pages H803–04, H811

Recognizing the benefits and importance of school-based music education: H. Con. Res. 45, amended, recognizing the benefits and importance of school-based music education; and **Pages H805–08**

Congratulating Jewish communities on their seven year completion of the 11th cycle of the daily study of the Talmud: H. Res. 124, congratulating Jewish communities on their seven year completion of the 11th cycle of the daily study of the Talmud.

Pages H808–10

Permitting the use of the Rotunda to award a Congressional gold medal to Jackie Robinson, posthumously: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 79, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award a Congressional gold medal to Jackie Robinson (posthumously), in recognition of his many contributions to the Nation. **Pages H804–05**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:07 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H810**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H799, H816.

Senate Referrals: S. 125 was referred to the Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure; and S. 306 was held at the desk. **Page H843**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H810–11, H811. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA’S RULE PROVIDING FOR CANADIAN BEEF AND CATTLE IMPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to Review the USDA’s rule providing for Canadian beef and cattle imports. Testimony was heard from Mike Johanns, Secretary of Agriculture; and public witnesses.

SCIENCE, THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE, JUSTICE, AND COMMERCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Attorney General. Testimony was heard from Alberto R. Gonzales, The Attorney General, Department of Justice.

“ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL ANTI-FRAUD IN FOR-PROFIT EDUCATION”

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing entitled “Enforcement of Federal Anti-Fraud Laws in For-Profit Education.” Testimony was heard from Representative Waters; Thomas A. Carter, Deputy Inspector General, Department of Education; and public witnesses.

STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITIES

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federalism and the Census held a hearing entitled “Strengthening Our Communities—Is It the Right Step Toward Greater Efficiency and Improved Accountability?” Testimony was heard from Roy A. Bernardi, Deputy Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Clay Johnson, III, Deputy Director, Management, OMB; David A. Sampson, Assistant Secretary, Economic Development, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

U.N. ORGANIZATION MISSION IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations held a hearing on United Nations Organiza-

tion Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo: A Case for Peacekeeping Reform. Testimony was heard from Kim R. Holmes, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

Prior to the hearing, the Subcommittee received a briefing on this subject. The Subcommittee was briefed by Jane Holl Lute, Assistant Secretary-General for Mission Support, Department of Peacekeeping Operations, United Nations.

OVERSIGHT—CORAL REEF CONSERVATION ACT OF 2000

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Craig Manson, Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; Timothy R. E. Keeney, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oceans And Atmosphere, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Katherine Andrews, Director, Coastal and Aquatic Managed Areas, Department of Environmental Protection, State of Florida; Athline Clark, Special Projects Program Manager, Division of Aquatic Resources, Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawaii; Togiola T. A. Tulafono, Governor, American Samoa; Juan N. Babauta, Governor, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; Felix Camacho, Governor, Guam; and a public witness.

CONTINUITY IN REPRESENTATION ACT OF 2005

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 841, Continuity in Representation Act, providing 60 minutes of general debate with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on House Administration and 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on House Administration now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, which shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject

to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Ney and Representative Jackson-Lee (TX).

JOB TRAINING IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2005

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 27, Job Training Improvement Act, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report may be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Boehner and Representative Kildee, Tierney, Woolsey, Edwards, Hasting (FL), Scott (VA).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Education, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the defense budget, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006

for states citizenship and immigration services/customs and border protection/immigration and customs enforcement, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing regarding Department of Defense human intelligence activities, 4:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2006 for the Forest Service, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold an oversight hearing to examine foreign assistance, 9 a.m., SD-419.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold a closed briefing on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Under Secretary for Food and Safety, 9:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Army Posture, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Agencies, on HIV/AIDS Budget, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Department of Homeland Security, on the Secretary of Homeland Security, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, on Secretary of the Interior, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Quality of Life, and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Department of Defense Privatization Issues, 10 a.m., and on Department of Defense Budget Overview, 1:30 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies, on Secretary of Commerce, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, to continue hearings on the Fiscal Year 2006 National Defense Authorization budget request, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Projection Forces, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2006 National Defense Authorization budget request—Navy Research and Development: Programs in Support of the War on Terrorism, Naval Transformation, and Future Naval Capabilities, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing on the National Defense Authorization budget request, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on the Economic Outlook and Current Fiscal Issues, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, hearing entitled "The Retirement Security Crisis: The Administration's Proposal for Pension Reform and its Implications for Workers and Taxpayers," 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, hearing entitled "Competition in the Communications Marketplace: How Technology is Changing the Structure of the Industry," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "Clean Air Act Transportation Conformity Provisions Contained in H.R. 3, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, oversight hearing on the Department of Housing and Urban Development, including the Department's budget request for fiscal year 2006, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization, hearing entitled "The Countdown to Completion: Implementing the New Department of Homeland Security Personnel System," 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance, and Accountability, hearing entitled "Protecting Pensions and Ensuring the Solvency of PBGC," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Emergency Threats and International Relations, hearing entitled "Emerging Threats: Overclassification and Pseudo-classification," 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection and Cybersecurity, hearing entitled "Proposed FY 2006

Budget: Integrating Homeland Security Screening Operations," 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on the Crisis in Nepal, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, to mark up the following: H. Con. Res. 18, Expressing the grave concern of Congress regarding the continuing gross violations of human rights and civil liberties of the Syrian and Lebanese people by the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic; and H. Con. Res. 32, Expressing the grave concern of Congress regarding the occupation of the Republic of Lebanon by the Syrian Arab Republic, 1 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on United Nations Operations: Integrity and Accountability, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing entitled "Prescriptions for Health Care Solutions," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider H.R. 3, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on the Budget, 1:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 4 through February 28, 2005

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	20	14	..
Time in session	125 hrs., 12'	80 hrs., 39'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	1,812	798	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	308	..
Public bills enacted into law	1	1	2
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Bills through conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	45	70	115
Senate bills	5	1	..
House bills	1	9	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	4	2	..
House concurrent resolutions	5	13	..
Simple resolutions	30	44	..
Measures reported, total*	37	9	46
Senate bills	18	..	..
House bills .....	..	3	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions	19	6	..
Special reports .....	..	..	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	19	2	..
Measures introduced, total	554	1,220	1,774
Bills	466	993	..
Joint resolutions	6	26	..
Concurrent resolutions	14	78	..
Simple resolutions	68	123	..
Quorum calls	1	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	11	31	..
Recorded votes .....	..	7	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 4 through February 28, 2005

Civilian nominations, totaling 114, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	14
Unconfirmed	100
Other Civilian nominations, totaling 278, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	278
Air Force nominations, totaling 1,056, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	943
Unconfirmed	113
Army nominations, totaling 1,748, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,191
Unconfirmed	557
Navy nominations, totaling 142, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	56
Unconfirmed	86
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,233, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	418
Unconfirmed	815

Summary

Total Nominations carried over from the First Session	0
Total nominations received	4,571
Total confirmed	2,622
Total unconfirmed	1,949
Total withdrawn	0
Total returned to the White House	0

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:15 a.m., Wednesday, March 2

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, March 2

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any routine morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes), Senate will continue consideration of S. 256, Bankruptcy Reform Act, and vote in relation to certain amendments.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of Suspensions:

- (1) S. Con. Res. 13, Congratulating ASME on their 125th anniversary, celebrating the achievements of ASME members, and expressing the gratitude of the American people for ASME's contributions; and
- (2) H.R. 912, to ensure the protection of beneficiaries of United States humanitarian assistance.

Consideration of H.R. 27—Job Training Improvement Act of 2005 (Subject to a Rule).

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