

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See *Résumé of Congressional Activity*.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2683–2687, and S. Res. 468. **Page S1467**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 602, to develop the next generation of parental control technology, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–268)

S. 1578, to amend the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 to establish vessel ballast water management requirements, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–269)

S. 1889, to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve railroad safety by reducing accidents and to prevent railroad fatalities, injuries, and hazardous materials releases, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–270) **Page S1467**

#### Measures Considered:

**Consumer Product Safety Commission Reform Act:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2663, to reform the Consumer Product Safety Commission to provide greater protection for children's products, to improve the screening of noncompliant consumer products, to improve the effectiveness of consumer product recall programs. **Pages S1451–59**

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

By 86 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 36), 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 motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S1459**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate will begin consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, March 4, 2008. **Page S1484**

#### Appointments:

*Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies:* The Chair, on behalf of the Vice Presi-

dent, pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 67 (110th Congress), appointed the following Senators to the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies: Senators Reid, Feinstein and Bennett. **Page S1484**

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Mark R. Filip, of Illinois, to be Deputy Attorney General. **Page S1486**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

9 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Navy.

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**Messages from the House:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Privileges of the Floor:**

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—36) **Page S1459**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:28 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1484.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 3 public bills, H.R. 5519–5521; and 1 resolution H. Res. 1012 were introduced. **Page H1188**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H1188**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5159, to establish the Office of the Capitol Visitor Center within the Office of the Architect of the Capitol, headed by the Chief Executive Officer for Visitor Services, and to provide for the effective management and administration of the Capitol Visitor Center, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–535) and

H.R. 1922, to designate the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse and the surrounding Federal land in the State of Florida as an Outstanding Natural Area and a unit of the National Landscape System, with amendments (H. Rept. 110–536, Pt. 1). **Page H1187**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hooley to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H1185**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted an agreement with the Kingdom of Denmark concerning Social Security—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–97). **Pages H1185–86**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H1185.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 2146 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and S. 996 was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. **Page H1186**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea-and-Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the U.S. Agency for International Development, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

**Committee on Armed Services:** to hold hearings to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 for the United States Central Command and the United States Special Operations Command, and the future years defense program; with the possibility of a closed session in S–407 immediately following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 for the military space programs, and the future years defense program, 2:30 p.m., SR–232A.

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** to hold hearings to examine the state of the banking industry, 10 a.m., SD–538.

**Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:** Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security, to hold hearings to examine protecting seashores from oil spills, focusing on operational procedures and ship designs, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

**Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:** to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Energy Information Administration's revised "Annual Energy Outlook", 10 a.m., SD–366.

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** to hold hearings to examine Kosovo, focusing on the Balkans region, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

**Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:** Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration, with the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery, to hold joint hearings to examine the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) disaster housing strategy, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine National Security Presidential Directive-54 and Homeland Security Presidential Directive-23 (NSPD-54/HSPD-23) and the comprehensive national cyber security initiative, 2:30 p.m., S–407, Capitol.

**Committee on Veterans' Affairs:** to hold joint hearings with the House Veterans Affairs Committee to examine

veterans of foreign wars of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the House Veterans Affairs Committee to examine disabled American veterans, 2 p.m., 345, Cannon Building.

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

### House

*Committee on Education and Labor*, hearing on Challenges and Opportunities for Improving School Nutrition, 3:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia and the Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, joint hearing on Declaration and Principles: Future U.S. Commitments to Iraq, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider the following: H.R. 2857, Generations Invigorating Volunteerism and Education Act; and the Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act of 2007, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine enlargement issues facing the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) prior to the summit in Bucharest, Romania, focusing on democratic development, 3 p.m., B-318, Rayburn Building.

*Joint Hearing*: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Veterans' Affairs Committee to examine disabled American veterans, 2 p.m., 345, Cannon Building.

Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the House Veterans' Affairs Committee to examine veterans of foreign wars of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

# Résumé of Congressional Activity

## SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH 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 3 through February 29, 2008

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session .....	31	22	..
Time in session .....	169 hrs., 57'	111 hrs., 51'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings .....	1,436	1,184	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	279	..
Public bills enacted into law .....	3	10	..
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	4	6	..
Measures passed, total .....	60	97	157
Senate bills .....	9	5	..
House bills .....	9	35	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	1	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	3	2	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	4	10	..
Simple resolutions .....	34	45	..
Measures reported, total* .....	15	28	43
Senate bills .....	13	..	..
House bills .....	1	13	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions .....	1	15	..
Special reports .....	..	..	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar .....	356	49	..
Measures introduced, total .....	205	716	921
Bills .....	152	588	..
Joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Concurrent resolutions .....	4	27	..
Simple resolutions .....	49	100	..
Quorum calls .....	1	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes .....	35	58	..
Recorded votes .....	..	28	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

### DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through February 29, 2008

Civilian nominations, totaling 250 (including 180 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		1
Unconfirmed .....		230
Withdrawn .....		19
Other Civilian Nominations, totaling 30 (including 8 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Unconfirmed .....		30
Air Force Nominations, totaling 2,809 (including 5 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		564
Unconfirmed .....		2,245
Army Nominations, totaling 763 (including 19 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		201
Unconfirmed .....		562
Navy Nominations, totaling 110 (including 3 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		13
Unconfirmed .....		97
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,515 (including 1 nomination carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		3
Unconfirmed .....		1,512
<i>Summary</i>		
Total Nominations carried over from the First Session .....		216
Total Nominations Received this Session .....		5,261
Total Confirmed .....		782
Total Unconfirmed .....		4,676
Total Withdrawn .....		19
Total Returned to the White House .....		0

\*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 13 written reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 28 reports have been filed in the House.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, March 4

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes), Senate will begin consideration of S. 2663, Consumer Product Safety Commission Reform Act.

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

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 4

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 1143—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands in Virgin Islands National Park; (2) H.R. 1311—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Alta-Hualapai Site to the city of Las Vegas, Nevada, for the development of a cancer

treatment facility; (3) H.R. 1922—To designate the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse and the surrounding Federal land in the State of Florida as an Outstanding Natural Area and as a unit of the National Landscape System; (4) H.R. 3111—To provide for the administration of Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial as a unit of the National Park System; (5) H.R. 5137—To ensure that hunting remains a purpose of the New River Gorge National River; (6) H. Res. 845—Recognizing the 60th anniversary of Everglades National Park; (7) H. Res. 807—Honoring the life of Marjory Stoneman Douglas, champion of the Florida Everglades and founder of Florida's environmental movement; (8) H.R. 816—To provide for the release of certain land from the Sunrise Mountain Instant Study Area in the State of Nevada and to grant a right-of-way across the released land for the construction and maintenance of a flood control project; (9) H.R. 3473—To provide for a land exchange with the City of Bountiful, Utah, involving National Forest System land in the Wasatch-Cache National Forest and to further land ownership consolidation in that national forest; (10) H.R. 4191—To redesignate Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historic Park in the State of Ohio as "Wright Brothers-Dunbar National Historic Park"; and (11) H. Res. 698—Commemorating the 200th anniversary of Congressional Cemetery.

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