

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6003–S6032

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1368–1375, and S. Res. 194–195. **Page S6016**

Measures Passed:

Commemorating 40th Anniversary of In re Gault, et al.: Senate agreed S. Res. 194, commemorating the 40th anniversary of the landmark case *In re Gault, et al.*, in which the Supreme Court held that all children accused of delinquent acts and facing a proceeding in which their freedom may be curtailed have a right to counsel in the proceedings against them. **Pages S6030–31**

Measures Considered:

Water Resources Development Act: Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1495, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States. **Pages S6008–10**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate begin consideration of the bill at 3 p.m. on Monday, May 14, 2007, and that Senator Boxer be recognized to offer an amendment. **Page S6032**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Majority Leader, with the concurrence of the Republican Leader, may at anytime consider H.R. 2206, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007. **Page S6008**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 12:08 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 14, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6032.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 14, 2007.

Committee Meetings

ESEA REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on ESEA Reauthorization: Boosting Quality in the Teaching Profession. Testimony was heard from Joel I. Klein, Chancellor, Department of Education, New York City; Jack D. Dale, Superintendent, Fairfax County Public Schools, Virginia; Joseph P. Burke, Superintendent of Schools, Springfield, Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY INDEPENDENCE—ADMINISTRATION PROPOSALS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Held a hearing on Administration Proposals on Climate Change and Energy Independence. Testimony was heard from Mary E. Peters, Secretary of Transportation; Stephen Johnson, Administrator, EPA; John Paul Woodley, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Civil Works, Department of the Army; and Lurita Alexis Doan, Administrator, GSA; Stephen T. Ayers, Acting Architect of the Capitol and Deputy Architect/Chief Operating Officer, U.S. Congress; and Daniel P. Beard, Chief Administrative Officer, House of Representatives.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see

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H.R.1681, to amend the Congressional Charter of The American National Red Cross to modernize its governance structure, to enhance the ability of the board of governors of The American National Red Cross to support the critical mission of The American National Red Cross in the 21st century. Signed on May 11, 2007 (Public Law 110-26)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 14 through May 19, 2007

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3:00 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the motion to proceed to the consider-

ation of H.R. 1495, Water Resources Development Act.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1495, Water Resources Development Act and vote on certain amendments.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: May 16, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the National Institutes of Health: A New Vision for Medical Research, 9:30 a.m., SD-116.

May 16, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to receive testimony from sundry public witnesses, 10 a.m., SD-192.

May 16, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, 3 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: May 15, business meeting to consider pending military nomination, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

May 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the United States European Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: May 16, business meeting to consider "Foreign Investment an original bill to make technical corrections to Title III of SAFETEA-LU; H.R. 1675, to suspend the requirements of the Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding electronic filing of previous participation certificates and regarding filing of such certificates with respect to certain low-income housing investors, H.R. 1676, to reauthorize the program of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for loan guarantees for Indian housing, S. 254, to award posthumously a Congressional gold medal to Constantino Brumidi, and the nominations of David George Nason, of Rhode Island, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Mario Mancuso, of New York, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, Michael W. Tankersley, of Texas, to be Inspector General, Export-Import Bank, Robert M. Couch, of Alabama, to be General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Janis Herschkowitz, of Pennsylvania, and Nguyen Van Hanh, of California, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

May 17, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine consolidation of

National Association of Securities Dealers and the regulatory functions of the New York Stock Exchange, focusing on working towards improved regulation, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 16, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

May 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine violence in the media, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 15, to hold hearings to examine the short-term energy outlook for summer 2007, focusing on oil and gasoline, 10 a.m., SD-366.

May 15, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 553, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Eightmile River in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 800, to establish the Niagara Falls National Heritage Area in the State of New York, S. 916, to modify the boundary of the Minidoka Internment National Monument, to establish the Minidoka National Historic Site, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land and improvements of the Gooding Division of the Minidoka Project, Idaho, S. 1057, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the New River in the States of North Carolina and Virginia as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1209, to provide for the continued administration of Santa Rosa Island, Channel Islands National Park, in accordance with the laws (including regulations) and policies of the National Park Service, S. 1281, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain rivers and streams of the headwaters of the Snake River System as additions to the National Wild and Scenic River System, H.R. 161, to adjust the boundary of the Minidoka Internment National Monument to include the Nidoto Nai Yoni Memorial in Bainbridge Island, Washington, H.R. 247, to designate a Forest Service trail at Waldo Lake in the Willamette National Forest in the State of Oregon as a national recreation trail in honor of Jim Weaver, a former Member of the House of Representatives, and H.R. 376, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including the battlefields and related sites of the First and Second Battles of Newtonia, Missouri, during the Civil War as part of Wilson's Creek National Battlefield or designating the battlefields and related sites as a separate unit of the National Park System, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 15, to hold hearings to examine green buildings, focusing on benefits to health, the environment, and the bottom line, 10 a.m., SD-406.

May 16, Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings to examine the state of mercury regulation, science, and technology, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: May 16, to hold hearings to examine the efficacy of United States preference programs, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: May 15, Subcommittee on Retirement and Aging, to hold hearings to examine Alzheimer's disease, focusing on current and future breakthrough research, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: May 15, to hold hearings to examine equal representation in Congress, focusing on providing voting rights to the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., SD-342.

May 17, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the federal government's security clearance process, focusing on evaluating progress and identifying obstacles to improvement, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

May 18, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine growth trends in health care premiums for active and retired federal employees, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 17, to hold an oversight hearing to examine law enforcement in Indian Country, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 15, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Justice politicizing the hiring and firing of United States Attorneys, focusing on preserving prosecutorial independence, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine rogue online pharmacies, focusing on the growing problem of internet drug trafficking, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 17, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1027, to prevent tobacco smuggling, to ensure the collection of all tobacco taxes, S. 221, to amend title 9, United States Code, to provide for greater fairness in the arbitration process relating to livestock and poultry contracts, S. 376, to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons by law enforcement officers, S. 1079, to establish the Star-Spangled Banner and War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission, S. Res. 138, honoring the accomplishments and legacy of Cesar Estrada Chavez, S. Res. 132, recognizing the Civil Air Patrol for 65 years of service to the United States, and S. Res. 130, designating July 28, 2007, as "National Day of the American Cowboy", and possible authorization of subpoenas in the connection with investigation into the replacement of U.S. attorneys, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: May 16, business meeting to mark up S. 1256, to amend the Small Business Act to reauthorize loan programs under that Act, 2 p.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: May 16, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Michael K. Kussman, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 15, 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.

May 17, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up an original bill authorizing funds for fiscal year

2008 for the intelligence community, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: May 16, to hold hearings to examine Medicare Advantage marketing and sales, focusing on who has the advantage, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, May 14, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review the Federal Crop Insurance Program, 2:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 15, Subcommittee on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture, hearing to review industry response to the safety of fresh and fresh-cut produce, 10 a.m., 11300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, May 14, Select Intelligence Oversight Panel, executive, on Domestic Agencies Intelligence Programs, 5 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Committee on Education and Labor, May 15, hearing on Best Practices for Making College Campuses Safe, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 15, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on Private Sector Whistleblowers: Are There Sufficient Legal Protections? 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 16, full Committee, hearing on Evaluating the Effectiveness of MSHA's Mine Safety and Health Programs, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness, hearing on Preparing Teachers for the Classroom: The Role of the Higher Education Act and No Child Left Behind, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, May 15, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Protecting Our Children: Current Issues in Children's Product Safety," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 15, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Medicare Savings Plan and Low Income Subsidy: Keeping Medicare's Promise for Seniors and People with Disabilities," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Reauthorization of the Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "2006 Prudhoe Bay Shutdown: Will Recent Regulatory Changes and BP Management Reforms Prevent Future Failures," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Diminished Capacity: Can FDA Assure the Safety and Security of the Nation's Food Supply?" 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Telecommunication and the Internet, hearing on a proposed measure addressing Broadband Mapping and Data Collection, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, May 16, hearing entitled "Private Equity's Effects on Workers and Firms," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology, hearing entitled "Remittances: Access, Transparency, and Market Efficiency—A Progress Report," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, May 15, hearing on U.S. Re-Engagement in the Global Effort to Fight Climate Change, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, briefing on Africa's Water Crisis and the 2006 UNDP Human Development Report, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on Africa's Water Crisis and the U.S. Response, 3 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Public Diplomacy in the Middle East and South Asia: Is the Message Getting Through? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 17, full Committee, hearing on Russia: Rebuilding the Iron Curtain, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, hearing on Declining Approval for American Foreign Policy in Muslim Countries: Does It Make It More Difficult To Fight al Qaeda, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, May 15, hearing entitled "The 2007 Hurricane Season: Are We Prepared?" 1 p.m., 311 Cannon.

May 16, Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled "The Impact of Foreign Ownership and Foreign Investment on the Security of Our Nation's Critical Infrastructure," 2:30 p.m., 1539 Longworth.

May 17, full Committee, hearing entitled "Protecting Our Schools: Federal Efforts To Strengthen Community Preparedness and Response," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

May 17, Subcommittee Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism and the Subcommittee on Management, Investigations and Oversight, joint hearing entitled "Deepwater: Charting a Course for Safer Waters," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 16, Antitrust Task Force, hearing on Prices at the Pump: Market Failure and the Oil Industry, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law, hearing on Comprehensive Immigration Reform: Becoming Americans-U.S. Immigration Integration, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1943, Stop AIDS in Prison Act of 2007; and H.R. 1199, Drug Endangered Children Act of 2007, 1 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law, hearing on Comprehensive Immigration Reform: Impact of Immigration on States and Localities, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 18, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law, hearing on Comprehensive Immigration Reform: The Future of

Undocumented Immigrant Students, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, May 15, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1239, National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Reauthorization Act of 2007; H.R. 1388, Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail Act; H.R. 1483, To amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the authorization for certain national heritage areas; and H.R. 1528, New England National Scenic Trial Designation Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 17, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 716, Santa Rosa Urban Water Reuse Plan Act; H.R. 236, North Bay Water Reuse Program Act of 2007; H.R. 1503, Avra/Black Wash Reclamation and Riparian Restoration Project; and H.R. 1725, Rancho California Water District Recycled Water Reclamation Facility Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, May 15, hearing on the Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization and Procurement, hearing on Federal Government Energy bill, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, May 15, to consider the following: H.R. 1427, Federal Housing Finance Reform Act of 2007; and H.R. 1585, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, May 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Prospects for Advanced Coal Technologies: Efficient Energy Production, Carbon Capture and Sequestration, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 15, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Federal STEM Education Programs: Educator's Perspectives, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 16, full Committee, hearing on the State of Climate Change Science 2007: The Findings of the Fourth Assessment Report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), Working Group III: Mitigation of Climate Change, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Developing Untapped Potential: Geothermal and Ocean Power Technologies, 10 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Building and Maintaining a Healthy and Strong NASA Workforce, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, May 16, hearing on legislation affecting the SBA's Entrepreneurial Development programs, including its Small Business Development Center and Women's Business Center Programs, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 16, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, hearing on Climate Change and Energy Independence: Transportation and Infrastructure Issues, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 18, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing on Assuring the National Guard Is as Ready at Home as It Is Abroad, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, May 15, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 612, Returning Servicemember VA Health Insurance Act of 2007; H.R. 67, Veterans Outreach Improvement Act of 2007; H.R. 1660, To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region; H.R. 1470, Chiropractic Care Available to All Veterans Act; and H.R. 2199, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide certain improvements in treatment of Individuals with traumatic brain injuries, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

May 17, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on Veterans Entrepreneurship and Self Employment, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, May 15, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Payments to Certain Medicare Fee-for-Service Providers, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

May 15, Subcommittee on Income Security, hearing on challenges Facing the Child Welfare System, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: May 16, to hold hearings to examine the explosive costs of elder care and determine if they are hurting family finances and business competition, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, May 14

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10:30 a.m., Monday, May 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 3 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 1495, Water Resources Development Act.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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