

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S3583–S3619*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 664–671, S. Res. 81–82, and S. Con. Res. 12. **Page S3609**

#### Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 386, to improve enforcement of mortgage fraud, securities fraud, financial institution fraud, and other frauds related to federal assistance and relief programs, for the recovery of funds lost to these frauds. (S. Rept. No. 111–10)

S. 256, to enhance the ability to combat methamphetamine. **Page S3609**

#### Measures Passed:

*Commending the Columbus Crew Major League Soccer Team:* Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 61, commending the Columbus Crew Major League Soccer Team for winning the 2008 Major League Soccer Cup, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S3618–19**

*188th Anniversary of the Independence of Greece:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 82, recognizing the 188th anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating Greek and American democracy. **Page S3619**

#### Measures Considered:

**Generations Invigorating Volunteerism and Education Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1388, to reauthorize and reform the national service laws. **111Pages S3592–S3601**

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

By 74 yeas to 14 nays (Vote No. 108), 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. **Pages S3600–01**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately

11 a.m., on Tuesday, March 24, 2009, and that the post-cloture time continue to run during any period of morning business, recess, or adjournment of the Senate; provided further, that the remaining provisions of the previous order continue to be in effect. **Page S3619**

#### Appointments:

*Health Information Technology Policy Committee:* The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 111–5, appointed the following individual to the Health Information Technology Policy Committee: Dr. Frank Nemec of Nevada. **Page S3619**

*Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress:* The Chair, announced on behalf of the Secretary of the Senate, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, the appointment of Sheryl B. Vogt, of Georgia, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress. **Page S3619**

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

Julius Genachowski, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2008.

Joe Leonard, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

Kristina M. Johnson, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

Cynthia J. Giles, of Rhode Island, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Lael Brainard, of the District of Columbia, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Harold Hongju Koh, of Connecticut, to be Legal Adviser of the Department of State.

Johnnie Carson, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (African Affairs). **Page S3619**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S3609**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Pages S3583, S3609**

**Enrolled Bills Presented:** **Page S3609**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S3609–11**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** Pages S3611–18  
**Additional Statements:** Pages S3608–09  
**Privileges of the Floor:** Page S3618  
**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—108) Pages S3600–01  
**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:10 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday,

March 24, 2009. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S3619.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 18 public bills, H.R. 1659–1676; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 77; and H. Res. 274–276 were introduced. Pages H3747–48

**Additional Cosponsors:** Pages H3748–49

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

H.R. 1107, to enact certain laws relating to public contracts as title 41, United States Code, “Public Contracts” (H. Rept. 111–42);

H.R. 479, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide a means for continued improvement in emergency medical services for children, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–43);

H.R. 1246, to amend the Public Health Service Act regarding early detection, diagnosis, and treatment of hearing loss (H. Rept. 111–44);

H.R. 307, to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities (H. Rept. 111–45);

H.R. 577, to establish a grant program to provide vision care to children, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–46);

H.R. 756, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to pain care (H. Rept. 111–47); and

H.R. 20, to provide for research on, and services for individuals with, postpartum depression and psychosis, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–48).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Edwards (MD) to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. Page H3709

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:58 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H3712

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

*Expressing the need for enhanced public awareness of traumatic brain injury and support for the designation of a National Brain Injury Awareness Month:* H. Res. 178, to express the need for enhanced public awareness of traumatic brain injury and support for the designation of a National Brain Injury Awareness Month; Pages H3713–15

*Stan Lundine Post Office Building Designation Act:* H.R. 918, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 East 3rd Street in Jamestown, New York, as the “Stan Lundine Post Office Building”, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 396 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 145; and Pages H3715–16, H3717–18

*Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building Designation Act:* H.R. 1218, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the “Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building”, by a 2/3 recorded vote of 399 yeas with none voting “no”, Roll No. 146. Pages H3716–17 H3718

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:42 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. Page H3717

**Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer:** Representative Flake announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. Page H3719

**Discharge Petition:** Representative Latta moved to discharge the Committee on House Administration and the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform from the consideration of H.R. 581, to eliminate automatic pay adjustments for Members of Congress, and for other purposes (Discharge Petition No. 1).

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3713.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3717–18 and H3718. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### STATE/LOCAL FINANCIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

*Committee on Financial Services:* On March 20, the Committee held a hearing entitled “Federal and State Enforcement of Financial Consumer and Investor Protection Laws.” Testimony was heard from Elizabeth A. Duke, Governor, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: John C. Dugan, Comptroller of the Currency; and Scott Polakoff, Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; Elisse B. Walter, Commissioner, SEC; Martin J. Gruenberg, Vice Chairman, FDIC; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Rita Glavin, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; and John Pistole, Deputy Director, FBI; William Francis Galvin, Secretary, State of Massachusetts; Lisa Madigan, Attorney General, State of Illinois; Sarah Bloom Raskin, Commissioner, Office of Financial Regulation, State of Maryland; James B. Ropp, Securities Commissioner, Department of Justice, State of Delaware; and a public witness.

### CENSUS 2010

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census and National Archives held a hearing on Census 2010: Assessing the Bureau’s Strategy for Reducing the Undercount of Hard-to-Count Populations. Testimony was heard from Robert Goldenkoff, Director, Strategic Issues, GAO; Thomas L. Mesenbourg, Acting Director; Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce; Stacey Cumberbatch, City Census Coordinator, City of New York; and a public witness.

### GSA COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CREDIT CRUNCH

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* On March 20, the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing on the Serious Commercial Real Estate Credit Crunch and GSA: Leasing and Building During an Economic Crisis. Testimony was heard from Samuel J. Morris, Assistant Commis-

sioner—Office of Real Estate Acquisition, Public Building Service, GSA; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D261)

H.R. 1127, to extend certain immigration programs. Signed on March 20, 2009. (Public Law 111–9)

H.R. 1541, to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958. Signed on March 20, 2009. (Public Law 111–10)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine United States European Command and United States Joint Forces Command; with the possibility of a closed session following in SR–222, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to continue hearings to examine modernizing bank supervision and regulation, 10 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Thomas L. Strickland, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, Department of the Interior, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings to examine Three Mile Island, focusing on lessons learned over the past 30 years, 10:30 a.m., SD–406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine alleviating global hunger, focusing on challenges and opportunities for United States leadership, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Richard Rahul Verma, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Melanne Verveer, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador at Large for Women’s Global Issues, and Esther Brimmer, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for International Organization Affairs, all of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine addressing insurance market reform in national health reform, 10 a.m., SD–430.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine abusive credit card practices and bankruptcy, 10 a.m., SD–226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

## House

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on Federal Law Enforcement Response to U.S.-Mexico Border Violence, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services*, hearing on security development in the areas of responsibility of the U.S. Pacific Command, U.S. European Command, and U.S. Forces Korea, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel and the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, joint hearing on Department of Defense Health Information Technology: AHTLA is "Intolerable," Where Do We Go From Here? 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and Labor*, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, hearing on Retirement Security: The Importance of an Independent Investment Adviser, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection*, hearing on Consumer Credit and Debt: The Role of the Federal Trade Commission in Protecting the Public, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Making Health Care Work for American Families: Improving Access to Care, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Federal Government's Intervention at American International Group," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Update on Lebanon, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 1478, Carmelo Rodriguez Military Medical Accountability Act of 2009, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources and the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, joint oversight hearing entitled "Energy Development on the Outer Continental Shelf and the Future of our Oceans," 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 689, To interchange the administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal lands between the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management; H.R. 1078, Harriet Tubman National Historical Park and Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park Act; and H.R. 1275, Utah Recreational Land Exchange Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider the following measures: H.R. 1404, Federal Land Assistance, Management and Enhancement (FLAME) Act; and a resolution Providing for consideration of the Senate Amendments to (H.R. 146) Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009, 2:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing to Examine Federal Vehicle Technology Research and Development Programs, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Coordination of International Science Partnerships, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Overview of Coast Guard Acquisition Policies and Programs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on the Nexus between Engaged in Combat with the Enemy and PTSD in an Era of Changing Warfare Tactics, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Social Security and the Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support, joint hearing on Eliminating the Social Security Disability Backlog, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on Trade Aspects of Climate Change Legislation, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, briefing on SRP, 1 p.m., HVC.

## Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, March 24

## Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 24

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1388, Generations Invigorating Volunteerism and Education Act.

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

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 1617—Department of Homeland Security Component Privacy Officer Act of 2009; (2) H.R. 1148—To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a program in the maritime environment for the mobile biometric identification of suspected individuals, including terrorists, to enhance border security; (3) H.R. 730—Nuclear Forensics and Attribution Act; (4) H. Res. 273—Recognizing the 188th anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating Greek and American democracy; (5) H. Res. 234—Expressing support for designation of a “Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day”; (6) H. Res. 182—Expressing support for designation of the week of March 1 through March 8, 2009, as “School Social Work Week”; (7) S. 520—The “Stanley J. Roszkowski United States Courthouse” Designation Act; and (8) S. 383—Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program Act of 2009.

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