

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6613–S6676

Measures Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3258–3262, and S. Res. 611–613. **Pages S6650–51**

Measures Reported:

S. 3258, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. (S. Rept. No. 110–416)

S. 3260, making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. (S. Rept. No. 110–417)

S. 3261, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. (S. Rept. No. 110–418) **Page S6650**

Measures Passed:

Over-the-Road Bus Transportation Accessibility Act: Senate passed H.R. 3985, to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to register a person providing transportation by an over-the-road bus as a motor carrier of passengers only if the person is willing and able to comply with certain accessibility requirements in addition to other existing requirements, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S6669**

Crisis in Zimbabwe: Senate agreed to S. Res. 611, expressing the sense of the Senate on the crisis in Zimbabwe. **Pages S6669–70**

Group of Eight (G8) Summit in Toyako: Senate agreed to S. Res. 612, expressing the sense of the Senate that President George W. Bush, President Dmitry Medvedev of the Russian Federation, and other participants in the 2008 Group of Eight (G8) Summit in Toyako, Hokkaido, Japan should work together to foster a more constructive relationship, and that the Government of the Russian Federation should eschew behaviors that are inconsistent with the Group's objectives of protecting global security, economic stability, and democracy. **Pages S6670–71**

National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 613, designating the week beginning September 8, 2008, as "National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week". **Pages S6671–72**

Measures Considered:

Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde United States Global Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Reauthorization Act: Senate began consideration of the S. 2731, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria, after agreeing to the motion to proceed to its consideration, the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute was withdrawn, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6621–32, S6642–46**

Adopted:

Reid for (Biden/Lugar) Amendment No. 5075, in the nature of a substitute.

(By unanimous consent, the amendment will be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendment.) **Page S6642**

Pending:

DeMint Amendment No. 5077, to reduce to \$35,000,000,000 the amount authorized to be appropriated to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria in developing countries during the next 5 years. **Page S6642**

DeMint Amendment No. 5078, to limit the countries to which Federal financial assistance may be targeted under this Act. **Page S6642**

DeMint Amendment No. 5079 (to Amendment No. 5078), to prevent certain uses of the Global Fund. **Pages S6642–46**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that during the pendency of the bill there be no motions to proceed in order. **Page S6642**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, July 15, 2008, and that the Majority Leader, or his designee, be recognized to make a motion to table DeMint Amendment No. 5078 (listed above). **Page S6672**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

11 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Army. **Pages S6672–76**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

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Messages from the House: **Page S6650**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Page S6650**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S6651–52**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S6654–69**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:27 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 15, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6672.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 6481–6490, and 1 resolution, H. Res. 1340, were introduced. **Page H6472**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6472–73**

Reports Filed: A report was filed on July 10, 2008 as follows:

H.R. 5170, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for a privacy official within each component of the Department of Homeland Security, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–755).

A report was filed on July 11, 2008 as follows:

H.R. 5618, to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–701, Pt. 2).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3227, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area, with amendments (H. Rept. 110–756);

H.R. 5057, to reauthorize the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program, with amendments (H. Rept. 110–757); and

H. Res. 1339, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 415) to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (H. Rept. 110–758). **Page H6472**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Jackson (IL) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6411**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H6411**

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

National Sea Grant College Program Amendments Act of 2008: H.R. 5618, amended, to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act; **Pages H6412–14**

Clarifying the boundaries of Coastal Barrier Resources System Clam Pass Unit FL–64P: H.R. 1714, to clarify the boundaries of Coastal Barrier Resources System Clam Pass Unit FL–64P; **Pages H6414–15**

Directing the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area: H.R. 3227, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area; **Pages H6415–16**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area." **Page H6416**

Expressing support for the designation of July 26, 2008 as “National Day of the Cowboy”: H. Res. 984, to express support for the designation of July 26, 2008 as “National Day of the Cowboy”;

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Bishop Ralph E. Brower Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 5506, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 369 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive in Jersey City, New Jersey, as the “Bishop Ralph E. Brower Post Office Building”;

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Minnie Cox Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 4010, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 West Percy Street in Indianola, Mississippi, as the “Minnie Cox Post Office Building”;

Pages H6418–19

Recognizing the 50th anniversary of the crossing of the North Pole by the USS “Nautilus” (SSN 571) and its significance in the history of both our Nation and the world: H. Res. 1067, to recognize the 50th anniversary of the crossing of the North Pole by the USS *Nautilus* (SSN 571) and its significance in the history of both our Nation and the world, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 375 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 486;

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Honoring the extraordinary service and exceptional sacrifice of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), known as the Screaming Eagles: H. Res. 1080, amended, to honor the extraordinary service and exceptional sacrifice of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), known as the Screaming Eagles, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 378 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 487;

Pages H6421–22, H6447–48

Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the integration of the United States Armed Forces: H. Con. Res. 297, amended, to recognize the 60th anniversary of the integration of the United States Armed Forces, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 378 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 488;

Pages H6424–26, H6448

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the beginning of the integration of the Armed Forces.”.

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Regulatory Improvement Act: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3564, to amend title 5, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Administrative Conference of the United States through fiscal year 2011—clearing the measure for the President;

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Honoring and recognizing the dedication and achievements of Thurgood Marshall on the 100th anniversary of his birth: H. Con. Res. 381, to honor and recognize the dedication and achievements

of Thurgood Marshall on the 100th anniversary of his birth;

Pages H6428–32

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that American flags flown on Federal Government buildings and on Federal property be made in the United States: H. Res. 1182, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that American flags flown on Federal Government buildings and on Federal property be made in the United States;

Pages H6432–33

Honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the occasion of its 35th anniversary: H. Con. Res. 369, to honor the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the occasion of its 35th anniversary;

Pages H6433–35

Debbie Smith Reauthorization Act of 2008: H.R. 5057, amended, to reauthorize the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To reauthorize the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program, and for other purposes.”.

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Criminal History Background Checks Pilot Extension Act of 2008: S. 3218, to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks—clearing the measure for the President;

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A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center Act: H.R. 5464, to direct the Attorney General to make an annual grant to the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center to assist law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing children; and

Pages H6443–45

Authorizing the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program at fiscal year 2006 levels through 2012: S. 231, to authorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program at fiscal year 2006 levels through 2012—clearing the measure for the President.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:12 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Expressing the deepest appreciation of Congress to the families of members of the United States Armed Forces: H. Con. Res. 295, to express the deepest appreciation of Congress to the families of members of the United States Armed Forces.

Pages H6422–24

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H6411.

Senate Referrals: S. 1046 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6447, H6447–48, and H6448. There were no quorum calls.

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

Committee Meetings

TAUNTON RIVER WILD-SCENIC RIVER DESIGNATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 415, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources 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 waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except for clause 10 of rule XXI.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. 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 a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendments except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The rule provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker.

The rule takes from the Speaker's table S. 2062 (the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2007), adopts an amendment in the nature of a substitute con-

sisting of the text of H.R. 2786 as passed by the House, passes S. 2062 as amended, and provides that the House insists on its amendment and requests a conference with the Senate. Testimony was heard from Representatives Holt and Frank of Massachusetts.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the semiannual monetary policy report to Congress, 10 a.m., SR–325.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine recent developments in United State financial markets and regulatory responses to them, 11:30 a.m., SR–325.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine summer air travel, focusing on addressing congestion and delay, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine S. 3233, to promote development of a 21st century energy system to increase United States competitiveness in the world energy technology marketplace, and S. 2730, to facilitate the participation of private capital and skills in the strategic, economic, and environmental development of a diverse portfolio of clean energy and energy efficiency technologies within the United States, to facilitate the commercialization and market penetration of the technologies, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine international enforcement of intellectual property rights and American competitiveness, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the crisis in Zimbabwe and prospects for its resolution, 10:30 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the Americans with Disabilities Act (Public Law 101–336), focusing on ways to determine the proper scope of coverage, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Gus P. Coldebella, of Massachusetts, to be General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine the Google-Yahoo agreement, focusing on the future of internet advertising, 10:30 a.m., SD–226.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on A New U.S. Grand Strategy, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on Is the Department of Labor Effectively Enforcing Our Wage and Hour Laws? 10:45 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled “Next Steps Toward Permanent Nuclear Waste Disposal,” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response, hearing entitled “Assessing the Framework and Coordination of the National Emergency Communications Plan, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure, hearing entitled “The Next Step in Aviation Security—Cargo Security: Is DHS Implementing the Requirements of the 9/11 Law Effectively?” 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Task Force on Competition Policy and Antitrust Laws, hearing on Competition on the Internet, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 6126, Fairness in Nursing Home Arbitration Act of 2008; H.R. 5312, Automobile Arbitration Fairness Act of 2008; and H.R. 3010, Arbitration Fairness Act of 2007, 12:30 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, to continue hearings on From the Department of Justice to Guantanamo Bay: Administration Lawyers and Administration Interrogation Rules, Part IV, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 6064, National Silver Alert Act; H.R. 5898, Silver Alert Grant Program Act of 2008; and H.R. 423, Kristen’s Act Reauthorization of 2007; followed by a mark up of H.R. 6064, National Silver Alert Act, 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2297, Arizona National Scenic Trail Act; H.R. 2299, Southern Nevada Limited Transition Area Act; H.R. 5335, To amend the National Trails System Act to provide for the inclusion of new trails segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, and for other purposes; H.R. 5671, To amend the laws establishing the Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity National Recreation Area and the Columbia River National Gorge National Scenic Area, units of the National Forest System derived from the public domain, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to retain and utilize special use permit fees collected by the Secretary in connection with the operation of marinas in the recreation area and the operation of the Multnomah Fall Lodge in the scenic area, and for other purposes; H.R. 5853, Minute Man National Historical Park Boundary Revision Act; H.R. 6159, Deafy Glade Land Exchange Act; H.R. 6176, To author-

ize the expansion of the Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas, and for other purposes; and H.R. 6305, To clarify the authorization for the use of certain National Park Service properties within Golden Gate National Parks and San Francisco Maritime National Historic Park, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3437, Jackson Gulch Rehabilitation Act of 2007; H.R. 2535, Tule River Tribe Water Development Act; and H.R. 5293, Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation Water Rights Settlement Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, to mark up H.R. 6322, Public Charter Schools Home Rule Act of 2008; followed by a hearing on H.R. 5600, District of Columbia Court, Offender Supervision, Parole, and Public Defender Employees Equity Act of 2008, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing on AFRICOM: Rationales, Roles, and Progress on the Eve of Operations, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following bills: H.R. 5959, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009; and H.R. 3999, National Highway Bridge Reconstruction and Inspection Act of 2007, 2:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on the Role of Non-Governmental Organizations and Universities in International Science and Technology Cooperation, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, oversight hearing on Low-Level Plutonium Spill at NIST-Boulder; Contamination of Lab and Personnel, 11 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, Media Outreach to Veterans, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on State Coverage Initiatives, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing by Ambassador Chris Hill, 3:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the Supreme Court’s recent decision in *Boumediene v. Bush*, focusing on foreign terrorism suspects held at Guantanamo Bay detention facility, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, July 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes), Senate will continue consideration of S. 2731, Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde United States Global Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Reauthorization Act, and the Majority Leader will be recognized to make a motion to table the DeMint Amendment No. 5078.

(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

9 a.m., Tuesday, July 15

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: 1) H.R. 4049—Money Service Business Act of 2007; 2) H.R. 6455—To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; 3) S. 3145—A bill to designate a portion of United States Route 20A, located in Orchard Park, New York, as the “Timothy J. Russert Highway”; 4) S. 496—The Appalachian Regional Development Act Amendments of 2008; 5) H. Con. Res. 299—Supporting the goals and ideals of National Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month; 6) H. Res. 1259—Congratulating the Hamilton College Continentals on winning the NCAA Division III women’s lacrosse championship; 7) H. Res. 1088—Recognizing and commending the Alvin Ailey American Dance

Theater for 50 years of service as a vital American cultural ambassador to the world; 8) H. Res. 1323—Commending the Arizona State University softball team for their victory in the 2008 Women’s College World Series; 9) H. Res. 1327—Congratulating the 2008 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I Baseball Champions, the Fresno State Bulldogs; 10) H. Res. 1261—Congratulating East High School in Denver, Colorado, on winning the 2008 “We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution” national competition; 11) H. Con. Res. 385—Condemning the attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in July 1994; 12) H. Res. 1090—Honoring the esteemed former President Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela on the occasion of his 90th birthday; 13) H.R. 3890—Burma Democracy Promotion Act of 2007; 14) H.R. 3032—To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to permit candidates for election for Federal office to designate an individual who will be authorized to disburse funds of the authorized campaign committees of the candidate in the event of the death of the candidate; 15) H.R. 6296—To extend through 2013 the authority of the Federal Election Commission to impose civil money penalties on the basis of a schedule of penalties established and published by the Commission; and 16) H.R. 5803—To direct the Election Assistance Commission to establish a program to make grants to participating States and units of local government which will administer the regularly scheduled general election for Federal office held in November 2008 for carrying out a program to make backup paper ballots available in the case of the failure of a voting system or voting equipment in the election or some other emergency situation. Consideration of H.R. 415—Amending the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (Subject to a Rule).

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