

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3063–S3117

Measures Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1018–1023, and S. Res. 188–190. **Pages S3105–06**

Measures Reported:

S. 99, to promote the production of molybdenum-99 in the United States for medical isotope production, and to condition and phase out the export of highly enriched uranium for the production of medical isotopes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–17)

S. 398, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to improve energy efficiency of certain appliances and equipment, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 112–18)

S. 629, to improve hydropower, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 112–19)

S. Con. Res. 15, supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day, and reaffirming United States leadership and support for efforts to combat malaria as a critical component of the President's Global Health Initiative. **Page S3105**

Measures Passed:

Passenger Name Record Agreement: Senate agreed to S. Res. 174, expressing the sense of the Senate that effective sharing of passenger information from inbound international flight manifests is a crucial component of our national security and that the Department of Homeland Security must maintain the information sharing standards required under the 2007 Passenger Name Record Agreement between the United States and the European Union, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S3114**

Reid (for Lieberman) Amendment No. 320, to amend the preamble. **Page S3114**

Recognizing Harmon Killebrew: Senate agreed to S. Res. 189, recognizing and honoring Harmon Killebrew and expressing the condolences of the Senate to his family on his death. **Pages S3114–16**

100th Anniversary of the Indianapolis 500: Senate agreed to S. Res. 190, recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Indianapolis 500 Mile Race. **Page S3116**

Measures Considered:

Offshore Production and Safety Act: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 953, to authorize the conduct of certain lease sales in the Outer Continental Shelf, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to modify the requirements for exploration. **Pages S3069–86**

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

By 42 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No.73), Senate did not agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S3086**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that having failed to achieve 60-affirmative votes, the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, be withdrawn. **Page S3086**

Stop Canadian Trash Act—Referral Agreement:

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be discharged from further consideration of S. 840, to establish customs user fees for commercial trucks transporting foreign municipal solid waste, and the bill then be referred to the Committee on Finance. **Pages S3103, S3116**

Liu Nomination—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the nomination of Goodwin Liu, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Pages S3086–S3101**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 11 a.m., on Thursday, May 19, 2011, with the time until 2 p.m. equally divided in the usual form, prior to the cloture vote on the nomination, as under the previous order. **Page S3116**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Morgan Christen, of Alaska, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, and Navy.

Measures Placed on the Calendar:	Page S3103
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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—73)	Page S3086

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:34 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 19, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3116.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of the Army, after receiving testimony from John M. McHugh, Secretary of the Army, and General Martin E. Dempsey, Chief of Staff, United States Army, both of the Department of Defense.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Steven Chu, Secretary of Energy.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a hearing to examine the current materiel readiness of U.S. Forces in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Lieu-

tenant General Mitchell H. Stevenson, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4, United States Army, Lieutenant General Frank A. Panter, Deputy Commandant, Installations and Logistics, Lieutenant General Loren M. Reno, Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, Installations and Mission Support, United States Air Force, and Vice Admiral William R. Burke, Deputy Chief of Staff of Naval Operations, Fleet Readiness and Logistics, all of the Department of Defense.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower concluded a hearing to examine Marine Corps acquisition programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Sean J. Stackley, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition, Lieutenant General George J. Flynn, Deputy Commandant, Combat Development and Integration, and Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, and Vice Admiral John Terence Blake, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Integration of Capabilities and Resources, all of the Department of Defense.

SECURITIZATION MARKETS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine the state of the securitization markets, after receiving testimony from Steven L. Schwarcz, Duke University School of Law, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Tom Deutsch, American Securitization Forum, and Ann Rutledge, R&R Consulting, both of New York, New York; Martin S. Hughes, Redwood Trust, Inc., San Rafael, California; Lisa Pendergast, Commercial Real Estate Finance Council, Montvale, New Jersey; and Chris J. Katopis, Association of Mortgage Investors, Washington, DC.

CONTRIBUTIONS OF SPACE TO NATIONAL IMPERATIVES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science and Space concluded a hearing to examine contributions of space to national imperatives, after receiving testimony from Elliot Holokauahi Pulham, Space Foundation, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Frank Slazer, Aerospace Industries Association (AIA), Arlington, Virginia; Christopher F. Chyba, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey; and Captain Frank L. Culbertson, Jr., USN (Ret.), Commander, International Space Station Expedition 3, Centreville, Virginia.

PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS BILLS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 220, to provide for the reforestation of forest landscapes, protection of old growth forests, and management of national forests in the eastside forests of the State of Oregon, S. 270, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon, S. 271, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, S. 278, to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, S. 292, to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 322, to expand the Alpine Lakes Wilderness in the State of Washington, to designate the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River and Pratt River as wild and scenic rivers, S. 382, to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that is subject to ski area permits, and for other permits, S. 427, to withdraw certain land located in Clark County, Nevada, from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws and disposition under all laws pertaining to mineral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials, S. 526, to provide for the conveyance of certain Bureau of Land Management land in Mohave County, Arizona, to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission, for use as a public shooting range, S. 566, to provide for the establishment of the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System, S. 590, to convey certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to give that territory the same benefits in its submerged lands as Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have in their submerged lands, S. 607, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land and non-Federal land, S. 617, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Elko County, Nevada, and to take land into trust for the Te-moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada, S. 667, to establish the Rio Grande del Norte National Conservation Area in the State of New Mexico, S. 683, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Mantua, Utah, S. 684, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah,

S. 729, to validate final patent number 27-2005-0081, S. 766, to provide for the designation of the Devil's Staircase Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to designate segments of Wasson and Franklin Creeks in the State of Oregon as wild rivers, S. 896, to amend the Public Land Corps Act of 1993 to expand the authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service opportunities for young Americans; help restore the nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational and scenic resources; train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts; and promote the value of public service, and S. 897, to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects and acid mine remediation programs, after receiving testimony from Mike Pool, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and Mary Wagner, Associate Chief, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

ADMINISTRATION PRIORITIES FOR EUROPE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded a hearing to examine Administration priorities for Europe in the 112th Congress, after receiving testimony from Philip H. Gordon, Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs; and Paige E. Alexander, Assistant Administrator for Europe and Eurasia, United States Agency for International Development.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 772, to protect Federal employees and visitors, improve the security of Federal facilities and authorize and modernize the Federal Protective Service, with an amendment; and

S. 550, to improve the provision of assistance to fire departments, with amendments.

Also, committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations: Senators Levin (Chair), Carper, Landrieu, McCaskill, Tester, Begich, Coburn, Collins, Brown (MA), McCain, and Paul.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia: Senators Akaka (Chair), Levin, Landrieu, Begich, Johnson (WI), Coburn, and Moran.

Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security: Senators Carper (Chair), Levin, Akaka, Pryor, McCaskill, Begich, Brown (MA), Coburn, McCain, Johnson (WI), and Portman.

Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs: Senators Pryor (Chair), Akaka, Landrieu, Tester, Paul, Brown (MA), and Johnson (WI).

Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight: Senators McCaskill (Chair), Carper, Pryor, Tester, Begich, Portman, Collins, McCain, and Moran.

Senators Lieberman and Collins serve as ex-officio members of all subcommittees.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Cora B. Marrett, of Wisconsin, to be Deputy Director of the National Science Foundation, Martha Wagner Weinberg, of Massachusetts, Paula Barker Duffy, of Illinois, Cathy N. Davidson, of North Carolina, Constance M. Carroll, of California, and Albert J. Beveridge III, of the District of Columbia, all to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities, Clyde E. Terry, of New Hampshire, and

Janice Lehrer-Stein, of California, both to be a Member of the National Council on Disability, Judith A. Ansley, of Massachusetts, and John A. Lancaster, of New York, both to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace, and a routine list in the Public Health Service.

IMMIGRATION COURT SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine improving efficiency and ensuring justice in the immigration court system, after receiving testimony from Juan P. Osuna, Acting Director, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice; Julie Myers Wood, ICS Consulting, LLC, Arlington, Virginia; and Karen T. Grisez, American Bar Association, Washington, D.C.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE COLLABORATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine seamless transition, focusing on improving Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense collaboration, after receiving testimony from W. Scott Gould, Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and William J. Lynn, III, Deputy Secretary of Defense.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 23, 2011, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 50.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

DISSIDENTS AND THE INTERNET

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission received a briefing on what dissidents need from the Internet, focusing on changes in technologies and social media platforms that enable dissidents to access information and to communicate from Rebecca Mackinnon, Global Voices, Robert Guerra, Freedom House, and Kathleen Reen, Internews, all of Washington, DC.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the United States Forest Service, 2:30 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: To hold hearings to examine the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Program in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: To hold hearings to examine public transportation, focusing on priorities and challenges for reauthorization, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine consumer privacy and protection in the mobile marketplace, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: To hold hearings to examine policies to reduce oil consumption through the promotion of advanced vehicle technologies and accelerated deployment of electric-drive vehicles, including S. 734, to provide for a program of research, development, demonstration, and commercial application in vehicle technologies at the Department of Education, and S. 948, to promote the deployment of plug-in electric drive vehicles, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 201, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir, S. 333, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the Little Wood River Ranch, S. 334, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the American Falls Reservoir, S. 419, to authorize the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority System, S. 499, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project, S. 519, to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, and S. 808, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the next steps in Cote d'Ivoire, 3:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: To hold hearings to examine ten years after 9/11, focus-

ing on if intelligence reform is working, part II, 1:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Business meeting to consider S. 350, to require restitution for victims of criminal violations of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, S. 623, to amend chapter 111 of title 28, United States Code, relating to protective orders, sealing of cases, disclosures of discovery information in civil actions, S. 890, to establish the supplemental fraud fighting account, S. 968, to prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, S. 978, to amend the criminal penalty provision for criminal infringement of a copyright, and the nominations of John Andrew Ross, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, Timothy M. Cain, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Nannette Jolivet Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, Nancy Torresen, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine, and William Francis Kuntz II, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: To hold hearings to examine small business recovery, focusing on the progress report on "Small Business Jobs Act of 2010" implementation, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

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

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Thursday, May 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, May 23

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Goodwin Liu, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination at approximately 2 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.



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