

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4461–S4492*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1341–1345, and S. Res. 230–231. **Page S4485**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 630, to promote marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy research and development, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 112–31)

S. 699, to authorize the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program to demonstrate the commercial application of integrated systems for long-term geological storage of carbon dioxide, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 112–32)

S. 757, to provide incentives to encourage the development and implementation of technology to capture carbon dioxide from dilute sources on a significant scale using direct air capture technologies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–33)

S. 1342, to amend the Federal Power Act to protect the bulk-power system and electric infrastructure critical to the defense of the United States against cybersecurity and other threats and vulnerabilities. (S. Rept. No. 112–34)

S. 1343, to provide for the conduct of an analysis of the impact of energy development and production on the water resources of the United States. (S. Rept. No. 112–35) **Page S4485**

#### Measures Passed:

**National Child Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 231, designating September 2011 as “National Child Awareness Month” to promote awareness of charities benefitting children and youth-serving organizations throughout the United States and recognizing efforts made by those charities and organizations on behalf of children and youth as critical contributions to the future of the United States. **Pages S4489–90**

#### Measures Considered:

**Sense of the Senate Regarding the Budget Deficit—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of S. 1323, to express the sense of the Senate on shared

sacrifice in resolving the budget deficit, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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#### Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 529, to change the enactment date. **Page S4477**

Reid Amendment No. 530 (to Amendment No. 529), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S4477–78**

Reid motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 531, of a perfecting nature. **Page S4478**

Reid Amendment No. 532 (to the instructions (Amendment No. 531) of the motion to commit), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4478**

Reid Amendment No. 533 (to Amendment No. 532), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4478**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, July 13, 2011. **Page S4478**

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

By 69 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 107), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S4477**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, July 12, 2011; provided further, that the filing deadline for all first-degree amendments to the bill be at 12 p.m., on Tuesday, July 12, 2011. **Page S4490**

**Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2055, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012. **Page S4478**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of S. 1323, Sense of the Senate Regarding the Budget Deficit. **Page S4478**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. **Page S4478**

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

Charles DeWitt McConnell, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Fossil Energy).

John Francis McCabe, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Peter Arno Krauthamer, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Danya Ariel Dayson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Joseph H. Gale, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

Michael A. Hammer, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Public Affairs).

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Foreign Service, and Navy. **Pages S4490–92**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S4482**

**Measures Referred:** **Pages S4482–83**

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—107) **Page S4477**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:54 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 12, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4490.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 14 public bills, H.R. 2482–2495 were introduced.

**Pages H4850–51**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H4851–52**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harris to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4797**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:07 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H4798**

**Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012:** The House resumed consideration of H.R. 2354, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012. Consideration of the measure began on Friday, July 8th. **Pages H4799–H4822, H4831–49**

Agreed to:

Graves (MO) amendment that reduces the Army Corps of Engineers Construction account by \$1,750,000 and increases the Army Corps of Engineers Operation and Maintenance account by \$1 million (by a recorded vote of 216 ayes to 190 noes, Roll No. 535); **Pages H4804–05, H4831–32**

Scalise amendment that increases funding, by offset, for the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Operation and Maintenance by \$6,360,000 (by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 168 noes, Roll No. 536); **Pages H4805–06, H4832–33**

Woodall amendment that reduces funding for the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Operation and Maintenance by \$4,900,000 and applies the savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 191 noes, Roll No. 537); **Page H4833**

Harris amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of July 6, 2011) that reduces funding for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$6

million and applies the savings to the spending reduction account; and **Pages H4836–37**

Woodall amendment that reduces funding for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$200,000 and applies the savings to the spending reduction account. **Pages H4807–09, H4845–46**

Rejected:

Kaptur amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy activities by \$10 million; **Page H4819**

Tierney amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Construction and the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Operation and Maintenance (by a recorded vote of 162 ayes to 246 noes, Roll No. 534); and

**Pages H4800–01, H4802–03, H4831**

McClintock amendment that sought to reduce various accounts by a total of \$3,250,437,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 96 ayes to 313 noes, Roll No. 538). **Pages H4819–21, H4833–34**

Withdrawn:

King (IA) amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to redirect \$1 million in funding with respect to the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Investigations;

**Pages H4799–H4800**

Turner amendment (No. 29 that was printed in the Congressional Record of July 11, 2011) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the National Nuclear Security Administration; **Pages H4801–02**

Rivera amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Construction by \$32,724,000; and

**Pages H4803–04**

Kaptur amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding, by offset, for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy activities by \$10 million. **Pages H4818–19**

Point of Order sustained against:

Tierney amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Construction and the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Operation and Maintenance; **Page H4801**

Bishop (NY) amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Operation and Maintenance by \$33,535,000; **Pages H4806–07**

Courtney amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Operation and Maintenance by \$808,000,000; **Pages H4809–10**

Terry amendment that sought to require the Army Corps of Engineers to conduct and publish the results of a study regarding the reasons and contributing factors that led to the abnormal flooding of the Missouri River during the spring and summer of 2011; **Pages H4815–16**

McIntyre amendment that sought to include a new section to the bill amending section 156 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1976; and

**Pages H4816–17**

Garamendi amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for Nuclear Energy by \$20 million. **Pages H4847–48**

Proceedings Postponed:

Sessions amendment that seeks to strike section 102; **Pages H4810–12**

Moran amendment that seeks to strike section 109; **Pages H4812–15**

Markey amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$100 million; **Pages H4821–22**

Lamborn amendment (No. 5 printed in the Congressional Record of July 7, 2011) that seeks to strike language with respect to the allocation of weatherization assistance funds; **Pages H4834–35**

Connolly amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$46 million; **Pages H4835–36**

Miller (NC) amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$24,018,000; **Pages H4837–38**

Broun (GA) amendment that seeks to reduce funding for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$26,510,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account; **Pages H4838–39**

Welch amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$491 million; **Pages H4839–40**

Pompeo amendment that seeks to reduce funding for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$45,641,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account; **Pages H4840–41**

Tonko amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$226,800,000; **Pages H4841–43**

Garrett amendment that seeks to reduce various accounts by a total of \$500 million and apply the savings to the deficit reduction account;

**Pages H4843–44**

Wu amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$60,500,000; **Pages H4844–45**

McClintock amendment that seeks to reduce funding for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$166,143,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account; **Pages H4846–47**

Schiff amendment that seeks to redirect \$10 million in funding with respect to Nuclear Energy; and  
**Page H4847**

Garamendi amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for the Advanced Research Projects Agency by \$450 million.  
**Pages H4848–49**

H. Res. 337, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Friday, July 8th.

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

**Better Use of Light Bulbs Act:** H.R. 2417, to repeal certain amendments to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act with respect to lighting energy efficiency.  
**Pages H4822–30**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 6:18 p.m. and reconvened at 6:31 p.m.  
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**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H4852–54.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4831, H4832, H4832–33, H4833, H4834. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the following: H.R. 1852, the “Children’s Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act of 2011”; and H.R. 2005, the “Combating Autism Reauthorization Act of 2011.” Testimony was heard from Janet Heinrich, Associate Administrator, Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Thomas R. Insel, M.D., Director, National Institute of Mental Health, National Institutes of Health.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Full Committee began markup of the following: H.R. 2273, the “Coal Residuals Reuse and Management Act of 2011”; and H.R. 2401, the “Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation Act of 2011.” The markup will continue on 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

### SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

**Committee on the Judiciary:** Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law, and Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social

Security held a joint hearing entitled “The Role of Social Security Administrative Law Judges.” Testimony was heard from Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner, Social Security Administration; and Christine Griffin, Deputy Director, OPM.

### IMPLEMENTATION OF CAREGIVER ASSISTANCE

**Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:** Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Implementation of Caregiver Assistance: Moving Forward. Testimony was heard from Cheryl Cox, LCSW, Caregiver Support Coordinator, Syracuse Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Department of Veterans Affairs; Mary Fullerton, LCSW, Caregiver Support Coordinator, North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Healthcare System, Department of Veterans Affairs; Deborah Amdur, LCSW, Chief Consultant, Care Management and Social Work, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** To hold hearings to examine enhanced investor protection after the financial crisis, 10 a.m., SD–538.

**Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:** To hold hearings to examine S. 1160, to improve the administration of the Department of Energy, S. 1108, to provide local communities with tools to make solar permitting more efficient, and S. 1142, to promote the mapping and development of the United States geothermal resources by establishing a direct loan program for high risk geothermal exploration wells, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to improve geothermal energy technology and demonstrate the use of geothermal energy in large scale thermal applications, 10 a.m., SD–366.

**Committee on Environment and Public Works:** To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency’s implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act’s Unregulated Drinking Water Contaminants Program, 10 a.m., SD–406.

**Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:** To hold hearings to examine pensions, focusing on building a strong middle class and strong economy, 2:30 p.m., SD–430.

**Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:** Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine if new technology and

private sector business practices can cut waste and fraud in Medicare and Medicaid, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

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

### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Full Committee, markup of the Semiannual Activities Report of the Committee on Appropriations; and the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2012, 10:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled “Ten Years On: The Evolution of Strategic Communication and Information Operations Since 9/11,” 1:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing entitled “How Does the Navy Get Ready, and Where Are We Today?” 3 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Medicare’s Future: An Examination of the Independent Payment Advisory Board,” 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Full Committee, continue markup of the following: H.R. 2273, the “Coal Residuals Reuse and Management Act of 2011”; and H.R. 2401, the “Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation Act of 2011,” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing on H.R. 463, the “Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Transparency Act of 2011;” and legislation regarding the Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Taxpayer Payback Act of 2011; the Housing Trust Fund Elimination Act; the Market Transparency and Taxpayer Protection Act; Cap the GSE Bailout Act; Eliminate the GSE Charter During Receivership; and the GSE Legal Fee Reduction Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing entitled “Promoting Peace? Reexamining U.S. Aid to the Palestinian Authority,” 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled “Protecting

the Maritime Borders—Leveraging Law Enforcement Cooperation to Enhance Security Along America’s Coasts,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled “Industry Perspectives: Authorizing the Transportation Security Administration for FY 2012 and 2013.” 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 1981, the “Protecting Children from Internet Pornographers Act of 2011,” 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on the following: H.R. 1291, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes, and for other purposes; H.R. 1234, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes; and H.R. 1421, to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 to clarify the role of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma with regard to the maintenance of the W.D. Mayo Lock and Dam in Oklahoma, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Health Care, District of Columbia, Census and the National Archives, hearing entitled “Fulfilling a Legal Duty: Triggering a Medicare Plan from the Administration,” 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2018, the “Clean Water Cooperative Federalism Act of 2011,” 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “A Review of NASA’s Space Launch System,” 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on child deaths due to maltreatment, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee:* To hold hearings to examine manufacturing in the United States of America, focusing on training America’s workforce, 10:15 a.m., SH-216.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, July 12

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will continue consideration of S. 1323, Sense of the Senate Regarding the Budget Deficit, with the filing deadline for all first-degree amendments to the bill at 12 noon.

*(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*

10 a.m., Tuesday, July 12

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Resume consideration of H.R. 2354—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012.

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