

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1574–1578, and S. Res. 271. **Page S5726**

Measures Passed:

Honoring Late Former Senator Charles H. Percy: Senate agreed to S. Res. 271, honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Charles H. Percy, former Senator for the State of Illinois. **Pages S5729–30**

Measures Considered:

Generalized System of Preferences Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2832, to extend the Generalized System of Preferences. **Pages S5715–20**

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

By 84 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 139), 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. **Page S5720**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, September 20, 2011, Senate adopt the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S5730**

Appointments:

Library of Congress Trust Fund Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Republican Leader, in consultation with the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 68–541, as amended by Public Law 102–246, appointed Christopher G. Long of Delaware, vice John Kluge, and Kathleen L. Casey of Virginia, vice John Medveckis, as members of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board for a term of five years. **Page S5729**

Senator Heller—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senator Heller be recognized at 2:30 p.m. for up to 20 minutes as if in morning business in order to deliver his maiden speech to the Senate. **Page S5730**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a fiscal plan entitled “Living Within Our Means and Investing in the Future” received during adjournment of the Senate on September 19, 2011; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget. (PM–22) **Pages S5724–25**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Ann Marie Buerkle, of New York, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-sixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Russ Carnahan, of Missouri, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-sixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—139) **Page S5720**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late former Senator Charles Percy, in accordance with S. Res. 271, at 6:35 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 20, 2011. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S5730.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 2965–2966 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2883, to amend part B of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend the child and family services program through fiscal year 2016, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–210, Pt. 1) and

H.R. 908, to extend the authority of the Secretary of Homeland Security to maintain the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–211). Page H6237

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H6235

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the fiscal plan entitled “Living Within Our Means and Investing in the Future,” the Presidents Plan for Economic Growth and Deficit Reduction—referred to the Committees on Agriculture, Armed Services, Education and the Workforce, Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, House Administration, the Judiciary, Natural Resources, Oversight and Government Reform, Rules, Science, Space and Technology, Small Business, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 112–55). Page H6236

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H6235.

Quorum Calls Votes:—Votes: There were no Yeand-Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D979)

H.R. 2887, to provide an extension of surface and air transportation programs. Signed on September 16, 2011. (Public Law 112–30)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, business meeting to markup proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies, 10:30 a.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, business meeting to markup proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, 2:30 p.m., SD–124.

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing on Iran, 9:30 a.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine new ideas to address the glut of foreclosed properties, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine promoting job creation in the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD–608.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider S. 1542, to amend part B of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend the child and family services program through fiscal year 2016, and the nominations of Juan F. Vasquez, of Texas, and Maurice B. Foley, of Maryland, both to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, and Janice Eberly, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Time to be announced, SD–215.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine tax reform options, focusing on incentives for innovation, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine intelligence community contractors, focusing on striking the right balance; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing in Senate Security Conference Room 1, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Adalberto Jose Jordan, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, John M. Gerrard, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, Mary Elizabeth Phillips, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, Thomas Owen Rice, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, and David Nuffer, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, 2:30 p.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 Armed Services, September 20, Panel on Business Challenges with the Defense Industry, hearing on challenges to doing business with the Department of Defense, 3 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, September 20, full Committee, begin markup of the following: H.R. 2250, the “EPA Regulatory Relief Act of 2011”; H.R. 2681, the “Cement Sector Regulatory Relief Act of 2011”; and H.R. 2937, the “Pipeline Infrastructure and Community Protection Act of 2011.” 4:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn. This markup will continue on September 21, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, September 20, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights, hearing entitled “Human Rights in North Korea: Challenges and Opportunities.” 3 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, September 20, hearing entitled “The Proposed Merger between Express Scripts and Medco.” 3:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, September 20, full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2401, the “Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation (TRAIN) Act of 2011.” 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the debt limit, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, September 20

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will adopt the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2832, Generalized System of Preferences Act, and begin consideration of the bill.

Also, at 2:30 p.m., Senator Heller will be recognized to deliver his maiden speech to the Senate.

(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

12 p.m., Tuesday, September 20

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 2005—Combating Autism Reauthorization Act of 2011; (2) H.R. 1852—Children’s Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act of 2011; (3) H.R. 2646—Veterans Health Care Facilities Capital Improvement Act of 2011, as amended; (4) H.R. 2944—U.S. Parole Commission Reauthorization; and (5) H.R. 2189—Death in Custody Reporting Act of 2011.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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