# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2369–2374 and S. Res. 390–391.

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#### Measures Passed:

National Safe Place Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 390, designating the week beginning March 13, 2006, as "National Safe Place Week".

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Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 391, to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of Timothy P. Toms v. Alan Hantman, et al.

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Legislative Transparency and Accountability Act: Senate began consideration of S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Lott/Collins Amendment No. 2907, in the nature of a substitute (Amendment, as agreed to, will be considered original text for the purpose of further amendment.).

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LIHEAP Funding: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2320, to make available funds included in the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program for fiscal year 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Kyl/Ensign Amendment No. 2899, to make available funds included in the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 for allotments to States for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program for fiscal year 2006.

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Inhofe Amendment No. 2898, to reduce energy prices. Pages \$1778-80

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2006; that it be in order to file second-degree amendments by 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2006; that there be one hour of debate equally divided between Senators Snowe and Ensign, or their designees, and the Senate then vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Legislative Line Item Veto Act of 2006"; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget. (PM-42)

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 89 yeas (Vote No. EX. 32), Thomas E. Johnston, of West Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of West Virginia. Pages \$1776-78, \$1806

By unanimous vote of 88 yeas (Vote No. EX. 31), Timothy C. Batten, Sr., of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia. Pages \$1776-78, \$1806

Aida M. Delgado-Colon, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico.

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Messages From the House:

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

Additional Statements:

Amendments Submitted:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—32)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 1 p.m., and adjourned at 7:20 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, March 7, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the re-

marks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$1806.)

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 4800 was introduced. Page H571

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed on Friday, March 3rd as follows:

H.R. 2829, to reauthorize the Office of National Drug Control Policy Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–315, Pt. 2); and

H.R. 2829, to reauthorize the Office of National Drug Control Policy Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–315, Pt. 3). Page H571

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

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H569–70.

Senate Referrals: S. 1445 was referred to the Committee on Government Reform; S. 1792, S. 1820, S. 2064, S. 2363 and S. 2089 were held at the desk.

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

Adjournment: The House met at noon and adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on Appropriations: to hold hearings to examine the proposed supplemental funding request for additional resources to assist the Gulf Coast region in its recovery from hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico in 2005, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine military strategy and operational requirements in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2007 and the future years defense program, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine the nuclear weapons and defense environmental cleanup activities of the Department of Energy in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007 and the future years nuclear security program; to be followed by a closed session in SR–222, 2:45 p.m., SR–232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the current oversight and operation of credit rating agencies, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine rural telecom, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the goal of energy independence, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Randall L. Tobias, of Indiana, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the response of community-based organizations to the 2005 Gulf Coast hurricanes, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the legislative presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

#### House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies, on Department of Transportation, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Quality of Life, and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Air Force Budget, 1:30 p.m., H–143 Capitol.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Human Cloning and Embryonic Stem Cell Research After Seoul: Examining Exploitation, Fraud and Ethical Problems in the Research," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing entitled "International Maritime Security II: Law Enforcement, Passenger Security and Incident Investigation on Cruise Ships," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack, executive, briefing on the Biennial Biological Risk Assessment, 5 p.m., H2–176 Ford.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, oversight hearing on White Collar Enforcement (Part 1): Attorney-Client Privilege and Corporate Waivers, 12 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 4167, National Food Uniformity Act of 2005, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 9:45 a.m., Tuesday, March 7

### Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 2320, LIHEAP Funding bill, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon, to occur at 10:45 a.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 7

#### House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of Suspensions: (1) H.R. 3934—Gerard A. Fiorenza Post Office Designation Act: (2) H.R. 4054—Dewey F. Bartlett Post Office Designation Act; (3) H.R. 4509—Hiram L. Fong Post Office Designation Act; (4) S. 2271—USA PATRIOT Act Additional Reauthorizing Amendments Act of 2006; (5) H.R. 32—Stop Counterfeiting in Manufactured Goods Act; and (6) H. Res. 681—Supporting the goals and ideals of National Engineers Week.

### Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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