

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7723–S7808

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1476–1489, S.J. Res. 218–219, and S. Con. Res. 33. **Page S7779**

Measures Passed:

Minority Party Appointments: Senate agreed to S. Res. 218, making minority party appointments for the 111th Congress. **Page S7807**

Food and Nutrition Service 40th Anniversary: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 164, recognizing the 40th anniversary of the Food and Nutrition Service of the Department of Agriculture. **Pages S7807–08**

New Frontier Congressional Gold Medal Act: Senate passed H.R. 2245, to authorize the President, in conjunction with the 40th anniversary of the historic and first lunar landing by humans in 1969, to award gold medals on behalf of the United States Congress to Neil A. Armstrong, the first human to walk on the moon; Edwin E. “Buzz” Aldrin, Jr., the pilot of the lunar module and second person to walk on the moon; Michael Collins, the pilot of their Apollo 11 mission’s command module; and, the first American to orbit the Earth, John Herschel Glenn, Jr., clearing the measure for the President. **Page S7808**

Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 1390, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7723–70**

Adopted:

By 58 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 235), Levin/McCain Amendment No. 1469, to strike \$1,750,000,000 in Procurement, Air Force funding for F–22A aircraft procurement, and to restore operation and maintenance, military personnel, and other

funding in divisions A and B that was reduced in order to authorize such appropriation. **Pages S7723–41**

McCain (for Kyl) Amendment No. 1628, to express the sense of the Senate on imposing sanctions with respect to the Islamic Republic of Iran. **Pages S7745–50**

Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 1515, to repeal the requirement for the reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan by veterans’ dependency and indemnity compensation. **Pages S7751–52**

By 93 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 236), Lieberman Amendment No. 1528, to provide authority to increase Army active-duty end strengths for fiscal year 2010 as well as fiscal years 2011 and 2012. **Pages S7765–66, S7768**

Pending:

Thune Amendment No. 1618, to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to allow citizens who have concealed carry permits from the State in which they reside to carry concealed firearms in another State that grants concealed carry permits, if the individual complies with the laws of the State. **Pages S7752–55**

Brownback Amendment No. 1597, to express the sense of the Senate that the Secretary of State should redesignate North Korea as a state sponsor of terrorism. **Pages S7756–65**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 22, 2009. **Page S7808**

Appointments:

Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 111–25, announced the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission: Sig Rogich of Nevada, and Frank Fahrenkoph of Nevada. **Page S7807**

Floor Privileges—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate convenes as a Court of Impeachment with regard to the case of Samuel B. Kent, the following list of staff from the House of Representatives be provided floor privileges during those proceedings:

Phil Tahtakran, Branden Ritchie, Ryan Clough, Michael Lenn, Danielle Brown, Alan Baron, Allison Halataei, Jessica Klein, Kirsten Konar. **Page S7807**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—236) **Pages S7741, S7768**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:40 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 22, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7808.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Rural Revitalization, Conservation, Forestry and Credit: Senators Lincoln (Chair), Leahy, Stabenow, Nelson (NE), Casey, Bennet, Cornyn, Cochran, McConnell, Grassley, and Thune.

Subcommittee on Energy, Science and Technology: Senators Stabenow (Chair), Conrad, Nelson (NE), Brown, Klobuchar, Bennet, Gillibrand, Thune, Lugar, Roberts, Johanns, Grassley, and Cornyn.

Subcommittee on Hunger, Nutrition, and Family Farms: Senators Brown (Chair), Leahy, Baucus, Lincoln, Stabenow, Casey, Klobuchar, Bennet, Gillibrand, Lugar, Cochran, McConnell, and Cornyn.

Subcommittee on Production, Income Protection and Price Support: Senators Casey (Chair), Leahy, Conrad, Baucus, Lincoln, Brown, Roberts, Cochran, Johanns, Grassley, and Thune.

Subcommittee on Domestic and Foreign Marketing, Inspection, and Plant & Animal Health: Senators Gillibrand (Chair), Conrad, Baucus, Nelson (NE), Klobuchar, Johanns, Lugar, McConnell, and Roberts.

Senators Harkin and Chambliss are ex-officio members of each of the Subcommittees.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S.1274, to amend title 46, United States Code, to ensure that the prohibition on disclosure of maritime transportation security information is not used inappropriately to shield certain other information from public disclosure, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S.1451, to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide for modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

An original bill entitled "SAFETEA-LU"; and

The nominations of Polly Trottenberg, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary, and Deborah A. P. Hersman, of Virginia, to be Chairman and Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, both of the Department of Transportation, Richard A. Lidinsky, Jr., of Maryland, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, and Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, and Meredith Attwell Baker, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission.

FEDERAL LAND ASSISTANCE, MANAGEMENT AND ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 561 and H.R. 1404, bills to authorize a supplemental funding source for catastrophic emergency wildland fire suppression activities on Department of the Interior and National Forest System lands, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a cohesive wildland fire management strategy, focusing on progress the agencies have made in managing wildland fires, after receiving testimony from Jay Jensen, Deputy Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and R. Max Peterson, former Chief, United States Forest Service, both of the Department of Agriculture; Rhea Suh, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management and Budget; Patricia Dalton, Managing Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; and Leah MacSwords, Kentucky State Forester, Frankfort, on behalf of the National Association of State Foresters.

CLEAN ENERGY JOBS, CLIMATE POLICIES, AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing with the Subcommittee on Green Jobs and the New Economy to examine state and local views on clean energy jobs, climate-related policies, and economic growth, after receiving testimony from Colorado Governor Bill Ritter, Jr., Denver; Washington Governor Chris Gregoire, Olympia; New Jersey Governor Jon S. Corzine, and Mayor Douglas H. Palmer, both of Trenton; North Dakota Governor John Hoeven, Bismarck; Arkansas State Representative John Lowery, El Dorado; Mayor Robert Kiss, Burlington, Vermont; and Mayor William D. Euille, Alexandria, Virginia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Charles A. Ray, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe, Gayleatha Beatrice Brown, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to Burkina Faso, Donald H. Gips, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to the Republic of South Africa, James Knight, of Alabama, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin, Earl M. Irving, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Swaziland, Jerry P. Lanier, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uganda, Michael Battle, of Georgia, to be Representative to the African Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador, Alfonso Lenhardt, of New York, to be Ambassador to the United Republic of Tanzania, Pamela J. H. Slutz, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Burundi, and Patricia Newton Moller, of Arkansas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Res. 81, supporting the goals and ideals of World Water Day, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Carlos Pascual, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Mexico, Kenneth H. Merten, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Haiti, Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina, Nicole A. Avant, of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Vinai K. Thummalappally, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to Belize, John R. Nay, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname, Anne Elizabeth Derse, of Maryland, to be

Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania, Donald Sternoff Beyer, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Switzerland, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Liechtenstein, Howard W. Gutman, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Belgium, and David H. Thorne, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Italian Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of San Marino, all of the Department of State, and a promotion list in the Foreign Service.

CLIMATE CHANGE AND GLOBAL SECURITY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine climate change and global security, focusing on challenges, threats, and diplomatic opportunities, after receiving testimony from former Senator John Warner; Vice Admiral Lee F. Gunn, USN (Ret.), American Security Project, and Sharon Burke, Center for a New American Security, both of Washington, D.C.; and Vice Admiral Dennis McGinn, USN (Ret.), Center for Naval Analysis Advisory Board, Lexington Park, Maryland.

SPECULATION IN THE WHEAT MARKET

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded a hearing to examine speculation in the wheat market, after receiving testimony from Gary Gensler, Chairman, United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Thomas Coyle, National Grain and Feed Association, Mark Cooper, Consumer Federation of America, and Hayden Wands, American Bankers Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Steven H. Strongin, Goldman, Sachs and Co., New York, New York; and Charles P. Carey, CME Group Inc., Chicago, Illinois.

EMPLOYMENT VERIFICATION SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security concluded a hearing to examine the current employment verification system, after receiving testimony from Representative Gutierrez; Michael Aytes, Acting Deputy Director, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security; and James W. Ziglar, Migration Policy Institute, and Lynden Melmed, Berry Appleman & Leiden, LLP, both of Washington D.C.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 3269–3285; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 61; and H. Res. 663–664, 666 were introduced. **Pages H8494–95**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H8495–96**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 22, to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to allow the United States Postal Service to pay its share of contributions for annuitants' health benefits out of the Postal Service Retiree Health Benefits Fund, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–216); **Page H8494**

H. Res. 665, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2920) to reinstitute and update the Pay-As-You-Go requirement of budget neutrality on new tax and mandatory spending legislation, enforced by the threat of annual, automatic sequestration (H. Rept. 111–217). **Page H8494**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Salazar to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H8411**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:33 a.m. and reconvened at noon. **Page H8418**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Monday, July 20th:

Recognizing the 40th anniversary of the Food and Nutrition Service of the Department of Agriculture: H. Con. Res. 164, to recognize the 40th anniversary of the Food and Nutrition Service of the Department of Agriculture, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 422 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 596; **Page H8445**

Authorizing the designation of National Environmental Research Parks by the Secretary of Energy: H.R. 2729, amended, to authorize the designation of National Environmental Research Parks by the Secretary of Energy, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 330 yeas to 96 nays, Roll No. 597; **Pages H8445–46**

Providing for a program of research, development, and demonstration on natural gas vehicles: H.R. 1622, amended, to provide for a program of research, development, and demonstration on natural gas vehicles, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 393 yeas to 35 nays, Roll No. 598; **Pages H8446–47**

Supporting the goals of National Dairy Month: H. Res. 507, amended, to support the goals of Na-

tional Dairy Month, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 428 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 599; **Page H8447**

Recognizing the establishment of Hunters for the Hungry programs across the United States and the contributions of those programs' efforts to decrease hunger and help feed those in need: H. Res. 270, to recognize the establishment of Hunters for the Hungry programs across the United States and the contributions of those programs' efforts to decrease hunger and help feed those in need, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 418 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 600; **Page H8455**

Commending the Bureau of Labor Statistics on the occasion of its 125th anniversary: S. Con. Res. 30, to commend the Bureau of Labor Statistics on the occasion of its 125th anniversary, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 421 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 601; **Pages H8455–56**

Recognizing the historical and national significance of the many contributions of John William Heisman to the sport of football: H. Con. Res. 123, to recognize the historical and national significance of the many contributions of John William Heisman to the sport of football, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 423 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 602; **Pages H8456–57**

A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center Act: H.R. 1933, 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, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 417 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 603; and **Page H8457**

Korean War Veterans Recognition Act: H.R. 2632, to amend title 4, United States Code, to encourage the display of the flag of the United States on National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 421 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 604. **Pages H8457–58**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:18 p.m. and reconvened at 4:29 p.m. **Page H8448**

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Nunes announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. **Page H8448**

Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure:

Approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003: H. J. Res. 56, amended, to approve the

renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003.

Pages H8460–62

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

Extending the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project: H.R. 2938, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project; **Pages H8449–51**

Recognizing the need to continue research into the causes, treatment, education, and an eventual cure for diabetes: H. Res. 69, to recognize the need to continue research into the causes, treatment, education, and an eventual cure for diabetes;

Pages H8451–55

Lim Poon Lee Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 3119, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 867 Stockton Street in San Francisco, California, as the “Lim Poon Lee Post Office”; **Pages H8458–60**

Supporting the goals and ideals of “National Children and Families Day”: H. Res. 534, to support the goals and ideals of “National Children and Families Day”; **Pages H8462–63**

Conrad DeRouen, Jr. Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 2972, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 West Edward Street in Erath, Louisiana, as the “Conrad DeRouen, Jr. Post Office”; **Page H8464**

Congratulating the 2008–2009 National Basketball Association Champions, the Los Angeles Lakers, on an outstanding and historic season: H. Res. 566, to congratulate the 2008–2009 National Basketball Association Champions, the Los Angeles Lakers, on an outstanding and historic season; and **Pages H8465–66**

Honoring the life and accomplishments of Harry Kalas for his invaluable contributions to the national past-time of baseball, the community, and the Nation: H. Res. 350, to honor the life and accomplishments of Harry Kalas for his invaluable contributions to the national past-time of baseball, the community, and the Nation. **Pages H8466–68**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H8418.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 11 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and S. 951 was held at the desk. **Page H8493**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Nine yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8445, H8446, H8446–47, H8447,

H8455, H8455–56, H8456–57, H8457 and H8457–58. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:47 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DAIRY INDUSTRY’S ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy and Poultry continued hearings to review economic conditions facing the dairy industry, Part II. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DETAINEE TERRORISM COMMUNICATIONS INFORMATION

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported, as amended, H. Res. 602, Requesting that the President and directing that the Security of Defense transmit to the House of Representatives all information in their possession relating to specific communications regarding detainees and foreign persons suspected of terrorism.

DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE

Committee on Armed Services: Defense Acquisition Reform Panel held a hearing on shaping a workforce for today’s acquisition environment that can meet DOD’s needs. Testimony was heard from Shay Assad, Director, Defense Procurement Acquisition Policy, Acting Deputy Under Secretary, Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

STUDENT AID AND FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT OF 2009

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3221, Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009.

MONETARY POLICY AND THE ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing on monetary policy and the state of the economy. Testimony was heard from Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

TOO-BIG-TO FAIL INSTITUTIONS

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “Systemic Risk: Are Some Institutions Too Big to Fail and If So, What Should We Do About It?” Testimony was heard from Alice M. Rivlin, former Director of OMB and CBO; and public witnesses.

ELECTRIC GRID SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology held a hearing “Security the Modern

Electric Grid from Physical and Cyber Attacks.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Joe McClelland, Director, Reliability, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and Patricia Hollman, Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability; Sean McGurk, Director, Control Systems Security Program, Department of Homeland Security; Cita Furlani, Director, Information Technology Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY—SATELLITE IMAGERY

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment met in executive session to receive a briefing on the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) satellite imagery. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

BRIEFING—DHS CIVIL LIBERTIES DISABILITY AND SPECIAL NEEDS POLICY TEAM

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight met in executive session to receive a briefing on the DHS Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Disability and Special Needs Policy Team. The Subcommittee was briefed by Departmental witnesses.

AUTO INDUSTRY BANKRUPTCIES RAMIFICATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law continued hearings on Ramifications of the Auto Industry Bankruptcies, Part II. Testimony was heard from Ron Bloom, Senior Advisor, Department of the Treasury.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security held an oversight hearing on the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Testimony was heard from Representative Cardoza; Harley G. Lappin, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

GRAND CANYON WATERSHEDS PROTECTION ACT OF 2009

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 644, Grand Canyon Watersheds Protection Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Madan M.

Singh, Director, Department of Mines and Mineral Resources, State of Arizona; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1738, Downey Regional Water Reclamation and Groundwater Augmentation Project of 2009; H.R. 2265, Magna Water District Water Reuse and Groundwater Recharge Act of 2009; H.R. 2442, Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program Expansion Act of 2009; H.R. 2522, To raise the ceiling on the Federal share of the cost of the Calleguas Municipal Water District Recycling Project; H.R. 2741, To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the City of Hermiston, Oregon, water recycling and reuse project; H.R. 2950, To direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District; and H.R. 1065, White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Mike Connor, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

TARP UPDATE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Following the Money: Report of the Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program (SIGTARP).” Testimony was heard from Neil M. Barofsky, Special Inspector General, Troubled Asset Relief Program.

STATUTORY PAY-AS-YOU-GO ACT OF 2009

The Committee on Rules: granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2920, the “Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009.” The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. It provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the report, modified by the amendment printed in part B of the report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the bill, as amended.

The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part C of the report if offered by Rep. Paul Ryan of Wisconsin or his

designee. The amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part C of the report except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI.

The rule provides one motion to recommit the bill with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that for purposes of the concurrent resolution on the budget, the amounts specified in section 421(a)(2)(A) and section 421(a)(2)(C) shall be considered to be those reflected in section 314 and section 316 of the House companion measure. Testimony was heard from Chairman Spratt and Representatives Ryan (WI) and Scalise.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3246, Advanced Vehicle Technology Act of 2009; H.R. 3165, amended, Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2009; H.R. 3029, to establish a research, development, and technology demonstration program to improve the efficiency of gas turbines used in combined cycle power general systems; and H.R. 3247, amended, To establish a social and behavioral science research program at the Department of Energy.

FEMALES IN SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on Encouraging the Participation of Female Students in STEM fields. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRADE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SYSTEM

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on Trade Advisory Committee System. Testimony was heard from Lisa A. Garcia, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative, Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Engagement, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; Loren Yager, Director, International Affairs and Trade, GAO; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—PAKISTAN NUCLEAR SECURITY

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Pakistan Nuclear Security. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

FEDERAL STATISTICAL SYSTEM

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Federal Statistical System in the 21st century, focusing on the role of the Census Bureau, after receiving testimony from Vincent P. Barabba, Kings County Ventures and the Market Insight Corporation, Capitola, California; Barbara Everitt Bryant, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; Martha Farnsworth Riche, Farnsworth Riche Associates, Trumansburg, New York; Kenneth Prewitt, Columbia University, New York, New York; and Charles Louis Kincannon, Board of Directors of Capitol Hill Village, William F. Eddy, Carnegie Mellon University, on behalf of the Committee on National Statistics, and Andrew Reamer, The Brookings Institution, all of Washington, D.C.

CYPRUS' RELIGIOUS CULTURAL HERITAGE

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Cyprus' religious cultural heritage, after receiving testimony from Charalampos Chotzakoglou, Hellenic Open University and Museum of Kykkos Monastery, and Michael Jansen, both of Nicosia, Cyprus; and Klaus Gallas, Weimar, Germany.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the role of agriculture and forestry in global warming legislation, 10 a.m., SR-325.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the semiannual monetary policy report to the Congress, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Deborah Matz, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, 3 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine advertising trends and consumer protection, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Children's Television Act for a digital media age, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 635, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 715, to establish a pilot program to

provide for the preservation and rehabilitation of historic lighthouses, S. 742, to expand the boundary of the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site in the State of Georgia, to redesignate the unit as a National Historical Park, S. 1270, to modify the boundary of the Oregon Caves National Monument, S. 1418 and H.R. 2330, bills to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing Camp Hale as a unit of the National Park System, and H.R. 2430, 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, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Samuel D. Hamilton, of Mississippi, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Samuel Louis Kaplan, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco, James B. Smith, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kenneth E. Gross, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan, Miguel Humberto Diaz, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Holy See, Fay Hartog-Levin, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, and Stephen J. Rapp, of Iowa, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues, all of the Department of State, 9 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine foreign aid and development in a new era, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine job creation and foreign investment in the United States, focusing on assessing the EB-5 Regional Center Program, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, to hold hearings to examine metal theft, focusing on law enforcement challenges, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Raymond M. Jefferson, of Hawaii, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, and Joan M. Evans, of Oregon, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Congressional and Legislative Affairs, 10 a.m., SR-418.

House

Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the Defense appropriations for fiscal year 2010, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

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Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "TARP Oversight Warrant Repurchases and Protecting Taxpayers," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on IRAN: Recent Developments and Implications for U.S. Policy, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, executive, briefing on the Federal Protective Service's ability to protect Federal facilities, 2 p.m., 302 HVC.

Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1517, To allow certain U.S. Customs and Border Protection employees who serve under an overseas limited appointment for at least 2 years, and whose service is rated fully successful or higher throughout that time, to be converted to a permanent appointment in the competitive service; H.R. 1726, Border Security Search Accountability Act of 2009; and H.R. 3239, To require the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to submit a report on the effects of the Merida initiative on the border security of the United States, 10 a.m., 3112 Cannon.

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Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on Over-Criminalization of Conduct/Over-Federalization of Criminal Law, 3 p.m., and to mark up H.R. 3245, Fairness in Cocaine Sentencing Act of 2009, 3:15 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, to mark up H.R. 2499, Puerto Rico Democracy Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

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Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on The Congressional Vision for a 21st Century Union Station: New Intermodal Uses and a New Union Station Livable Community, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

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Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on National Intelligence Strategy, 1:30 p.m., 304-HVC.

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