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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, November 15, 2010, at 2 p.m.

Senate

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2010

The Senate met at 11:30 a.m., and was called to order by the Honorable BENJAMIN L. CARDIN, a Senator from the State of Maryland.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. INOUE.)

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 1, 2010.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable BENJAMIN L. CARDIN, a Senator from the State of Maryland, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUE,
President pro tempore.

Mr. CARDIN thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECESS UNTIL TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 5, 2010, AT 11 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands in recess until 11 a.m., Tuesday, October 5, 2010.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 11:30 and 28 seconds a.m., recessed until Tuesday, October 5, 2010, at 11 a.m.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.



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Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS:

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Senate met at 11:30:00 a.m. in pro forma session, and recessed at 11:30:28 a.m. until 11 a.m., on Tuesday, October 5, 2010.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: On Thursday, September 30, 2010, Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 118, to amend section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959, to improve the program under such section for supportive housing for the elderly, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1481, to amend section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act to improve the program under such section for supportive housing for persons with disabilities, with an amendment.

WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: On Thursday, September 30, 2010, committee concluded a hearing to examine implementing the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, after receiving testimony from Neal Wolin, Deputy Secretary, and John Walsh, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, both of the Department of the Treasury; Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Sheila C. Bair, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Mary L. Schapiro, Chairman, United States Securities and Exchange Commission; and Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

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ROLE OF STRATEGIC MINERALS IN CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: On Thursday, September 30, 2010, Subcommittee on Energy concluded a hearing to examine the role of strategic minerals in clean energy technologies and other applications, including S. 3521, to provide for the reestablishment of a domestic rare earths materials production and supply industry in the United States, after receiving testimony from David Sandalow, Assistant Secretary for Policy and International Affairs, Office of Policy and International Affairs, Department of Energy; Roderick Eggert, Colorado School of Mines, Golden; Preston Rufe, Formation Capital Corporation, Salmon, Idaho; Peter Brehm, Infinia Corporation, Kennewick, Washington.

FEDERAL INVESTMENT IN FOR-PROFIT EDUCATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: On Thursday, September 30, 2010, committee concluded a hearing to examine the Federal investment in for-profit education, focusing on if students are succeeding, after receiving testimony Lauren Asher, The Institute for College Access and Success, Oakland, California; Arnold Mitchem, Council for Opportunity in Education, Washington, D.C.; Danielle Johnson, Tama, Iowa; and Kathleen Bittel, Acme, Pennsylvania.

EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: On Thursday, September 30, 2010, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration concluded a hearing to examine earthquake preparedness, focusing on what the United States can learn from the 2010 Chilean and Haitian earthquakes, after receiving testimony from William Carwile, III, Associate Administrator, Office of Response and Recovery, Federal Emergency

Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; Dirk W. Dijkerman, Acting Assistant Administrator, Bureau of Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, and Carol Chan, Director, Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance, both of the U.S. Agency for International Development; Cristobal Lira, Chilean Ministry of Interior, Santiago, Chile; James Wilkinson, Central United States Earthquake Consortium, Memphis, Tennessee; Ellis Stanley, Sr., Dewberry, Los Angeles, California; Reginald DesRoches, Georgia Institute of Technology School of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Atlanta.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: On Thursday, September 30, 2010, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine implementation, improvement, sustainability, focusing on management matters at the Department of Homeland Security, after receiving testimony from Jane Holl Lute, Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security; and Cathleen A. Berrick, Managing Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, Government Accountability Office.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, November 15, 2010, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 321.

Committee Meetings

DOD BUDGET INITIATIVES

Committee on the Budget: On September 30, the Committee held a hearing on Defense Department Budget initiatives. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMBATING HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Committee on Foreign Affairs: On September 30, the Committee held a hearing on Out of the Shadows: The Global Fight Against Human Trafficking. Testimony was heard from Luis CdeBaca, Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State; and public witnesses.

CAMBODIA DEBT FORGIVENESS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: On September 30, the Subcommittee on Asia, The Pacific and The Global Environment held a hearing on Cambodia's Small Debt: When Will the U.S. Forgive? Testimony was heard from Joseph Y. Yun, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State.

DOMESTIC NUCLEAR DETECTION OFFICE

Committee on Homeland Security: On September 30, the Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology held a hearing entitled

“The Domestic Nuclear Detection Office: Can It Overcome Past Problems and Chart a New Direction?” Testimony was heard from Warren M. Stern, Director, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, Department of Homeland Security.

IMMIGRATION AND THE ECONOMY

Committee on the Judiciary: On September 30, the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law held a hearing on the Role of Immigration in Strengthening America's Economy. Testimony was heard from Michael R. Bloomberg, Mayor, New York City; and public witnesses.

JOHNSON AND JOHNSON RECALL

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: On September 30, the Committee held a hearing to examine the circumstances surrounding the recall of over 135 million bottles of infant and children's medicines produced by Johnson & Johnson/McNeil Consumer Healthcare. Testimony was heard from Joshua M. Sharfstein, M.D. Principal Deputy Commissioner, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and the following officials of Johnson & Johnson: William C. Weldon, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer; and Colleen Goggins, Worldwide Chairman, Consumer Group.

USDA BIOTECH POLICY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: On September 30, the Subcommittee on Domestic Policy held a hearing entitled, “Are ‘Superweeds’ an Outgrowth of USDA Biotech Policy? (Part II).” Testimony was heard from Ann Wright, Deputy Under

Secretary, USDA; Jim Jones, Principle Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention, EPA; and public witnesses.

HEALTH IT STANDARDS

Committee on Science and Technology: On September 30, the Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on Standards for Health IT: Meaningful Use and Beyond. Testimony was heard from David Blumenthal, National Coordinator, Health Information Technology, Office of the National Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services; Kathleen M. Roberts, Associate Director, Federal and Industrial Relations, Information Technology Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

CONGRESSIONAL WORKPLACE: SAFETY CONCERNS AND FUTURE PLANS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: On September 30, the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Manage-

ment held a hearing on The Congressional Workplace; Safety Concerns and Future Plans. Testimony was heard from Stephen T. Ayers, Architect of the Capitol; the following officials of the Office of Compliance: Tamara E. Chrisler, Executive Director; and Peter Ames Eveleth, General Counsel; and public witnesses.

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: On September 30, the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on impact of Green Infrastructure and Low Impact Development on the Nation's Water Quality, Economy and Communities. Testimony was heard from Representative Schwartz, Adam Ortiz, Mayor, Edmonston, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

TRUE COST OF THE WAR

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: On September 30, the Committee held a hearing on the True Cost of the War. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

EXECUTIVE DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through September 30, 2010

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	119	108	..
Time in session	874 hrs., 29'	739 hrs., 18'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	7,842	7,398	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,877	..
Public bills enacted into law	24	91	115
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	1	1	..
Measures passed, total	440	752	1,192
Senate bills	72	39	..
House bills	109	298	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	3	..
House joint resolutions	3	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	9	3	..
House concurrent resolutions	27	41	..
Simple resolutions	217	364	..
Measures reported, total	311	257	568
Senate bills	217	1	..
House bills	80	177	..
Senate joint resolutions	1	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	3	..
Simple resolutions	12	76	..
Special reports	3	8	..
Conference reports .....	..	2	..
Measures pending on calendar	404	92	..
Measures introduced, total	1,343	2,832	4,175
Bills	1,017	1,983	..
Joint resolutions	14	32	..
Concurrent resolutions	26	102	..
Simple resolutions	286	715	..
Quorum calls	5	4	..
Yea-and-nay votes	248	377	..
Recorded votes .....	..	184	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	1	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through September 30, 2010

Civilian nominations, totaling 581 (including 209 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		386
Unconfirmed		165
Withdrawn		14
Returned to White House		16
Other Civilian nominations, totaling 1615 (including 112 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		1,038
Unconfirmed		577
Air Force nominations, totaling 6,545 (including 759 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		5,338
Unconfirmed		1,207
Army nominations, totaling 6,337 (including 76 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		6,245
Unconfirmed		87
Withdrawn		5
Navy nominations, totaling 4,395 (including 8 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		4,390
Unconfirmed		5
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1194 (including 714 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed		1,192
Unconfirmed		2
<i>Summary</i>		
Total Nominations carried over from First Session		1,878
Total Nominations Received this Session		18,789
Total Confirmed		18,589
Total Unconfirmed		2,043
Total Withdrawn		19
Total Returned to the White House		16

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 230 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 267 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Tuesday, October 5

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, November 15

Senate Chamber

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Program for Monday: To be announced.



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