

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S295–S348*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirteen bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 211–223, and S. Res. 28–33. **Page S338**

#### Measures Passed:

**Publicly Disclose Objection Resolution:** By 92 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 2), Senate agreed to S. Res. 28, to establish as a standing order of the Senate that a Senator publicly disclose a notice of intent to objecting to any measure or matter. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the resolution, having achieved 60 affirmatives votes, be agreed to.) **Pages S296, S304–326**

**Reading of Amendment Resolution:** By 81 yeas to 15 nays (Vote No. 3), Senate agreed to S. Res. 29, to permit the waiving of the reading of an amendment if the text and adequate notice are provided. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the resolution, having achieved 60 affirmatives votes, be agreed to.) **Pages S296, S327**

**110th Anniversary of the United States Army Nurse Corps:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 31, commemorating the 110th anniversary of the United States Army Nurse Corps. **Pages S345–46**

**National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 32, designating the month of February 2011 as “National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month”. **Pages S346–47**

**150th Anniversary of the Admittance of the State of Kansas:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 33, expressing the sense of the Senate relating to the 150th anniversary of the admittance of the State of Kansas to the United States as the 34th State. **Page S347**

#### Measures Failed:

**Cloture Resolution:** By 12 yeas to 84 nays (Vote No. 4), two-thirds of the Senators voting, a quorum being present, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to S. Res. 8, amending the Standing Rules of the Senate to provide for cloture

to be invoked with less than a three-fifths majority after additional debate, and was returned to the calendar over, under the rule. **Pages S296, S327**

**Debate Improvement Resolution:** By 44 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 5), two-thirds of the Senators voting, a quorum being present, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to S. Res. 10, to improve the debate and consideration of legislative matters and nominations in the Senate, and was returned to the calendar over, under the rule, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S296–97, S328**

Adopted:

Reid (for Udall (NM)) Amendment No. 1, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S296–97**

**Extended Debate Resolution:** By 46 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 6), two-thirds of the Senators voting, a quorum being present, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to S. Res. 21, to amend the Standing Rules of the Senate to provide procedures for extended debate, and was returned to the calendar over, under the rule, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S297–S304, S328–29**

Adopted:

Reid (for Merkley) Amendment No. 2, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S297–S304**

#### Appointments:

**Members of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to the provisions of 20 U.S.C., sections 42 and 43, appointed and reappointed the following Senators as Members of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, respectively:

The Honorable Jack Reed of Rhode Island vice The Honorable Christopher J. Dodd of Connecticut and Reappointment of the Honorable Patrick J. Leahy of Vermont. **Page S348**

**Second Reading—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, that on Friday, January 28, 2011, S. 223, be considered to have

received a second reading; an objection made to further proceedings; and the bill be placed on the Calendar under the provisions of Rule XIV. **Page S347**

**Messages from the House:** **Pages S334–35**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Pages S295, S335, S347**

**Measures Read the First Time:** **Pages S335, S347**

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**Record Votes:** Five record votes were taken today. (Total—6) **Pages S326, S327, S328**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:01 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, January 31, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S348.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### KC–X COMPETITION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the results of the investigation by the Department of Defense and the Department of the Air Force into the release of proprietary data in the KC–X competition, after receiving testimony from Major General Wendy M. Masiello, USAF, Program Executive Officer for Combat and Mission Support, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, and Steven D. Shirley, Executive Director, Cyber Crime Center, both of the Department of Defense.

### BUDGET AND ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the budget and economic outlook for fiscal years 2011–2021, after receiving testimony from Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

### CRACKDOWN IN BELARUS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded a hearing to examine crack-down in Belarus, focusing on responding to the Lukashenka regime, after receiving testimony from Senator Durbin; Philip H. Gordon, Assistant Secretary for European and Eurasian Affairs, and Thomas O. Melia, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, both of the Department of State; David J. Kramer, Freedom House, and Kenneth Wollack, National Democratic Institute, both of Washington, DC; and Natalia Kaliada, Belarus Free Theatre, Minsk, Belarus.

### DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL SPILL AFTERMATH

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery concluded a hearing to examine claims and social services in the aftermath of Deepwater Horizon oil spill, after receiving testimony from Craig A. Bennett, Director, National Pollution Funds Center, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Eric B. Broderick, Deputy Administrator, Assistant Surgeon General, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Kenneth R. Feinberg, Gulf Coast Claims Facility (GCCF), Washington, DC; Ve Nguyen, United Louisiana Vietnamese American Fisherfolks, and Tom Costanza, Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans, both of New Orleans, Louisiana; Albert L. Keller, BP America, Houston, Texas; and Lori West, South Mississippi Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters, Gulfport.

### AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Affordable Care Act, focusing on the impact of health insurance reform on health care consumers, after receiving testimony from Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of Health and Human Services; Christopher F. Koller, State of Rhode Island Health Insurance Commissioner, Providence; Lisa Grasshoff, Paragon Hemophilia Solutions, Houston, Texas; Joe Olivo, Perfect Printing, Moorestown, New Jersey; and Emily Schlichting, Omaha, Nebraska.

# House of Representative

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 8, 2011, pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 1.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2011

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 31 through February 5, 2011

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2 p.m., Senate will be in a period of morning business.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Armed Services:* February 3, to hold hearings to examine United States policy toward Iraq, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on the Budget:* February 1, to hold hearings to examine the U.S. economic outlook, 10 a.m., SD-608.

February 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine tax reform, focusing on fiscal responsibility, 10 a.m., SD-608.

February 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine challenges for the United States economic recovery, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* February 1, to hold hearings to examine the American Medical Isotopes Production Act of 2011, 10 a.m., SD-366.

February 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the energy and oil market outlook for the 112th Congress, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* February 2, to hold an oversight hearing to examine public health and drinking water issues, 10 a.m., SD-406.

February 3, Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health, to hold hearings to examine assessing the effectiveness of United States chemical safety laws, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* February 3, to hold hearings to examine the status of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* February 1, to hold hearings to examine Iraq, focusing on transitioning to a civilian mission, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* February 3, to hold hearings to examine simplifying security, focusing on encouraging better retirement decisions, 2 p.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* February 1, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine improving Federal contract auditing, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

February 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine catastrophe preparedness, focusing on FEMA, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* February 1, to hold hearings to examine foreclosure mediation programs, focusing on if bankruptcy courts can limit homeowner and investor losses, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the constitutionality of the Affordable Care Act, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Caitlin Joan Halligan, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Kathleen M. Williams, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, and Mae A. D'Agostino, of [] to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, and Timothy J. Feighery, of New York, to be Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Department of Justice, 2 p.m., SD-226.

February 3, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 23, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform, S. 193, to extend the sunset of certain provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act, and the nominations of James E. Graves, Jr., of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Amy Totenberg, and Steve C. Jones, both to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, James Emanuel Boasberg, and Amy Berman Jackson, both to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Paul Kinloch Holmes III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas, Anthony J. Battaglia, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Edward J. Davila, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Diana Saldana, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas,

Max Oliver Cogburn, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, Marco A. Hernandez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Susan L. Carney, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, and Michael H. Simon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* February 3, organizational business meeting to consider committee's rules of procedure and budget for the 112th Congress, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

#### House Committees

No committee meetings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

2 p.m., Monday, January 31

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

2 p.m., Tuesday, February 8

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** Senate will be in a period of morning business. The Majority Leader hopes to reach an agreement to begin consideration of S. 223, Federal Aviation Administration Authorization Act.

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** To be announced.



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