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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at 2 p.m.

Senate

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The Senate met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable Tom UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Eternal God, we lift our hearts to You, the giver of wisdom and strength.

Guide our lawmakers through the deliberations of this day. Give them wisdom to work for justice and to advance Your kingdom on Earth. May they set a course for this Nation that unites people in dedication to truth and righteousness. Lord, empower them to meet today's joys with gratitude, its difficulties with fortitude, and its duties with fidelity. Teach them to toil and to ask for nothing more than to know they are pleasing You.

We pray in Your merciful Name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Tom UDALL led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

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. INOUYE).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 27, 2011.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable Tom UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

Daniel K. Inouye,

President pro tempore.

Mr. UDALL of New Mexico thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, following leader remarks, if any, the Senate will begin en bloc consideration of several resolutions to change the Senate rules. There will be up to 8 hours of debate prior to a series of stacked rollcall votes in relation to the resolutions.

The Senate will recess from 12:30 until 2:15 to allow for caucuses. It is my understanding that both the Democrats and Republicans will be holding meetings today during that hour.

If all time is used, the series of votes will begin around 8 p.m. However, we expect time to be yielded back so that the votes can begin earlier. Senators will be notified if and when any time is

yielded back and when the votes are expected to begin.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 192

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I understand S. 192 is at the desk and is due for a second reading.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will read the title of the bill for the second time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 192) to repeal the job-killing health care law and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I object to further proceedings with respect to this legislation.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Objection having been heard, the bill will be placed on the calendar under rule XIV.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. REID. My understanding now is that as soon as the clerk announces the order for the day, the 8 hours will begin to run; is that right, Mr. President?

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is correct.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

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

