

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S6467–S6581*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2993–2997, and S. Res. 596–598. **Page S6540**

**Measures Reported:**

S. 182, to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Anchorage, Alaska, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversion interest to the City, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–289)

S. 398, to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–290)

S. 776, to establish the Columbine-Hondo Wilderness in the State of New Mexico, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of National Forest System land in the State, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–291)

S. 841, to designate certain Federal land in the San Juan National Forest in the State of Colorado as wilderness, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–292)

S. 1328, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the archaeological site and surrounding land of the New Philadelphia town site in the State of Illinois. (S. Rept. No. 113–293)

S. 1419, to promote research, development, and demonstration of marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy technologies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–294)

S. 1750, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into agreements with States and political subdivisions of States providing for the continued operation, in whole or in part, of public land, units of the National Park System, units of the National Wildlife Refuge System, and units of the National Forest System in the State during any period in which the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture is unable to

maintain normal level of operations at the units due to a lapse in appropriations. (S. Rept. No. 113–295)

S. 1971, to establish an interagency coordination committee or subcommittee with the leadership of the Department of Energy and the Department of the Interior, focused on the nexus between energy and water production, use, and efficiency, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–296)

S. 2031, to amend the Act to provide for the establishment of the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore in the State of Wisconsin, to adjust the boundary of that National Lakeshore to include the lighthouse known as Ashland Harbor Breakwater Light, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–297)

S. 2104, to require the Director of the National Park Service to refund to States all State funds that were used to reopen and temporarily operate a unit of the National Park System during the October 2013 shutdown. (S. Rept. No. 113–298)

S. 2379, to approve and implement the Klamath Basin agreements, to improve natural resource management, support economic development, and sustain agricultural production in the Klamath River Basin in the public interest and the interest of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–299)

S. 2602, to establish the Mountains to Sound Greenway National Heritage Area in the State of Washington, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–300)

S. 2873, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acknowledge contributions at units of the National Park System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–301)

H.R. 885, To expand the boundary of the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park, and for other purposes. (S. Rept. No. 113–302)

H.R. 1241, to facilitate a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Inyo National Forest. (S. Rept. No. 113–303)

Report to accompany S. 2094, to provide for the establishment of nationally uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel. (S. Rept. No. 113–304)

S. 1317, to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal years 2014 through 2016 and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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#### Measures Passed:

***Coast Guard Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016:*** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. 2444, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal year 2015, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Boxer (for Rockefeller/Thune) Amendment No. 3997, in the nature of a substitute.

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Boxer (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 3998, to amend the title.

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***National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Act:*** Senate passed S. 2519, to codify an existing operations center for cybersecurity, after withdrawing the committee amendment, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Boxer (for Carper) Amendment No. 3999, in the nature of a substitute.

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***Protecting and Securing Chemical Facilities from Terrorist Attacks Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 4007, to recodify and reauthorize the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Boxer (for Carper) Amendment No. 4000, in the nature of a substitute.

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***Critical Infrastructure Research and Development Advancement Act:*** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2952, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to assess the cybersecurity workforce of the Department of Homeland Security and develop a comprehensive workforce strategy, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Boxer (for Carper) Amendment No. 4001, in the nature of a substitute.

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Boxer (for Carper) Amendment No. 4002, to amend the title.

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***FAA Modernization and Reform Act:*** Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 2614, to amend certain provisions of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012, and the bill was then passed.

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***Death in Custody Reporting Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 1447, to encourage States to report to the Attorney General certain information regarding the deaths of individuals in the custody of law enforcement agencies.

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***American Savings Promotion Act:*** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3374, to provide for the use of savings promotion raffle products by financial institutions to encourage savings, and the bill was then passed.

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***Smart Savings Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 4193, to amend title 5, United States Code, to change the default investment fund under the Thrift Savings Plan.

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***James L. Oberstar Memorial Highway:*** Senate passed H.R. 4926, to designate a segment of Interstate Route 35 in the State of Minnesota as the “James L. Oberstar Memorial Highway”.

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***Propane Education and Research Enhancement Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 5705, to modify certain provisions relating to the Propane Education and Research Council.

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***Dignified Interment of Our Veterans Act:*** Committee on Veterans’ Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 2822, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on matters relating to the burial of unclaimed remains of veterans in national cemeteries, and the bill was then passed.

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***Condolences to the Family of Abdul-Rahman Peter Kassig:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 598, expressing condolences to the family of Abdul-Rahman Peter Kassig and condemning the terrorist acts of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant.

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#### House Messages:

**Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 3979, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to ensure that emergency services volunteers are not taken into account as employees under the shared responsibility requirements contained in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto:

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## Pending:

Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill.

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Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 3984 (to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill), to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 3985 (to Amendment No. 3984), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Armed Services, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 3986, to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 3987 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 3986), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 3988 (to Amendment No. 3987), of a perfecting nature.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, December 11, 2014.

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**Retiring Senators Tributes—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the tributes to retiring Senators be printed as a Senate document and that Senators be permitted to submit tributes until December 23, 2014.

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**Bill Referral—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5471, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to specify how clearing requirements apply to certain affiliate transactions, and the bill be referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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#### Messages from the House:

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#### Measures Referred:

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#### Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:55 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 11, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6581.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, focusing on the effective enforcement and the future of derivatives regulation, after receiving testimony from Timothy Massad, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

### CYBERSECURITY

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine cybersecurity, focusing on enhancing coordination to protect the financial sector, after receiving testimony from Brian Peretti, Director, Office of Critical Infrastructure Protection and Compliance Policy, and Valerie Abend, Senior Critical Infrastructure Officer, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, both of the Department of the Treasury; Phyllis Schneck, Deputy Undersecretary for Cybersecurity, National Protection and Programs Directorate, and William Noonan, Deputy Special Agent in Charge, Secret Service, Criminal Investigation Division, Cyber Operations Branch, both of the Department of Homeland Security; and Joseph M. Demarest, Jr., Assistant Director, Cyber Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

### PASSENGER RAIL

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security concluded a hearing to examine passenger rail, focusing on investing in our nation's future, after receiving testimony from Peter M. Rogoff, Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy; Anthony R. Coscia, Amtrak, New Brunswick, New Jersey; John Previsich, SMART—Transportation Division, North Olmsted, Ohio; and Ray B. Chambers, Association of Independent Passenger Rail Operators, Washington, DC.

### EBOLA EPIDEMIC

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on African Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the Ebola