

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3253–S3299

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1291–1297, and S.J. Res. 44. **Page S3294**

Measures Reported

S. 134, to expand the prohibition on misleading or inaccurate caller identification information, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–91)

S. 1221, to counter the influence of the Russian Federation in Europe and Eurasia, with amendments. **Page S3294**

Measures Passed:

Department of Veterans Affairs Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act: Senate passed S. 1094, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the accountability of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S3261–81, S3299**

Star Print—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. Res. 184, relative to the death of James Paul David “Jim” Bunning, former United States Senator for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, be star printed. **Page S3297**

Countering Iran’s Destabilizing Activities Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, June 7, 2017, Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 722, to impose sanctions with respect to Iran in relation to Iran’s ballistic missile program, support for acts of international terrorism, and violations of human rights. **Page S3297**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 67 yeas to 33 nays (Vote No. EX. 139), Courtney Elwood, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency. **Pages S3255–60, S3260–61**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Richard V. Spencer, of Wyoming, to be Secretary of the Navy.

Charles Douglas Stimson, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy.

Owen West, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Joseph Otting, of Nevada, to be Comptroller of the Currency for a term of five years.

Elizabeth Erin Walsh, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service.

Steven Gill Bradbury, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Transportation.

David P. Pekoske, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

Annie Caputo, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2022.

Kristine L. Svinicki, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2022.

David Wright, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2020.

Robert Charrow, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Stephen Parente, of Minnesota, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

David Steele Bohigian, of Missouri, to be Executive Vice President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

Ray Washburne, of Texas, to be President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

Peter Louis Oppenheim, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Department of Education.

Carlos G. Muniz, of Florida, to be General Counsel, Department of Education.

Brian Allen Benczkowski, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.
3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.
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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:25 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 7, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3297.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of Education, after receiving testimony from Betsy DeVos, Secretary of Education.

APPROPRIATIONS: MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND FAMILY HOUSING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for Department of Defense military construction and family housing, after receiving testimony from Peter J. Potochney, Acting Assistant Secretary for Energy, Installations and Environment, Lieutenant General Gwendolyn Bingham, USA, Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management, Vice Admiral Dixon R. Smith, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Fleet Readiness and Logistics, Major General John J. Broadmeadow, USMC, Commander, Marine Corps Installations Command, and Assistant Deputy Commandant, Installations and Logistics (Facilities), and Major General Timothy S. Green,

USAF, Director of Civil Engineers, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, all of the Department of Defense.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Marine Corps ground modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2018 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Heather A. Wilson, Secretary, and General David L. Goldfein, USAF, Chief of Staff, both of the Air Force, Department of Defense.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower concluded a hearing to examine Marine Corps ground modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2018 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from John M. Garner, Program Executive Officer, Land Systems Marine Corps, Lieutenant General Robert S. Walsh, USMC, Deputy Commandant for Combat Development and Integration, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, and Commander, United States Marine Forces Strategic Command, and Brigadier General Joseph F. Shrader, USMC, Commander, Marine Corps Systems Command, all of the Department of Defense.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Kevin Allen Hassett, of Massachusetts, to be Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, who was introduced by Senator Portman, and Pamela Hughes Patenaude, of New Hampshire, to be Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, who was introduced by Senator Shaheen, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Dan R. Brouillette, of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, Neil Chatterjee, of Kentucky, and Robert F. Powelson, of Pennsylvania, each to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and David Bernhardt, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.