

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to S. 139, FISA Amendments Reauthorization Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S265–S313

Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2319–2324, and S. Res. 374–375. **Page S300**

Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 2070, to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program, and to promote initiatives that will reduce the risk of injury and death relating to the wandering characteristics of some children with autism. (S. Rept. No. 115–200) **Page S298**

Measures Passed:

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 98, directing the Secretary of the Senate to make a correction in the enrollment of the bill S. 139. **Page S270**

Congratulating the University of Alabama Crimson Tide: Senate agreed to S. Res. 375, congratulating the University of Alabama Crimson Tide football team for winning the 2018 National Collegiate Athletic Association College Football Playoff National Championship. **Page S277**

Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1519, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. **Page S270**

House Messages:

FISA Amendments Reauthorization Act: By 65 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 12), Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House

to S. 139, to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, after taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S268–70**

Rejected:

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, with McConnell Amendment No. 1870 (to the House Amendment to the bill), to change the enactment date. (Senate tabled the motion to concur.) **Pages S268–70**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

McConnell Amendment No. 1871 (to Amendment No. 1870), of a perfecting nature, fell when McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, with McConnell Amendment No. 1870 (to the House Amendment to the bill) (listed above) was tabled. **Pages S268–70**

Further Continuing Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 195, to amend title 44, United States Code, to restrict the distribution of free printed copies of the Federal Register to Members of Congress and other officers and employees of the United States, taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S305–08**

Pending:

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill. **Page S305**

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with McConnell Amendment No. 1903 (to the House Amendment to the Senate Amendment to the bill), to change the enactment date. **Page S305**

McConnell Amendment No. 1904 (to Amendment No. 1903), of a perfecting nature. **Page S305**

McConnell motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 1905, to change the enactment date. **Page S305**

McConnell Amendment No. 1906 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 1905), of a perfecting nature. **Page S305**

McConnell Amendment No. 1907 (to Amendment No. 1906), of a perfecting nature. **Page S305**

A motion was entered to close further debate on McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Saturday, January 20, 2018.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 97 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 13), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the House message to accompany the bill. **Pages S304–05**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Friday, January 19, 2018.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kenneth Steven Barbic, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

Thomas E. Ayres, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.

James N. Stewart, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

John F. Ring, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2022.

Michael Stoker, of California, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director.

Francis R. Fannon, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Energy Resources).

Johnathan Miller, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Jackie Wolcott, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the International Atomic Energy Agency, with the rank of Ambassador.

Jackie Wolcott, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Vienna Office of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

29 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

4 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S308–13**

Messages from the House: **Page S298**

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Additional Statements: **Page S298**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S302–03**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S303**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—13) **Pages S270, S304–05**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 10:15 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Friday, January 19, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S308.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael D. Griffin, of Alabama, to be Under Secretary for Research and Engineering, Phyllis L. Bayer, of Mississippi, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, and John Henderson, of South Dakota, who was introduced by Senator Rounds, and William Roper, of Georgia, each to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

CFIUS REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States reform, focusing on examining the essential elements, including S. 2098, to modernize and strengthen the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States to more effectively guard against the risk to the national security of the United States posed by certain types of foreign investment, S.