

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1529–S1615

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2519–2531, S.J. Res. 55, and S. Res. 426–429. **Pages S1577–78**

Measures Passed:

Removing Outdated Restrictions to Allow for Job Growth Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1177, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to release on behalf of the United States the condition that certain lands conveyed to the City of Old Town, Maine, be used for a municipal airport, and the bill was then passed. **Page S1615**

Measures Considered:

Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 2155, to promote economic growth, provide tailored regulatory relief, and enhance consumer protections, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1529–65**

Pending:

McConnell (for Crapo) Modified Amendment No. 2151, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1529–65**

Crapo Amendment No. 2152 (to Amendment No. 2151), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S1529–65**

A motion was entered to close further debate on McConnell (for Crapo) Modified Amendment No. 2151 (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, March 8, 2018, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018. **Page S1565**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of McConnell (for Crapo) Modified Amendment No. 2151 (listed above). **Page S1565**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the bill at approximately 4 p.m., on Monday, March 12,

2018; that that filing deadlines with respect to the cloture motions filed on Thursday, March 8, 2018 be Monday, March 12, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. for first-degree amendments, and at 5:30 p.m. for second-degree amendments; and that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, the cloture motions filed on Thursday, March 8, 2018 ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, March 12, 2018. **Page S1615**

McAleenan Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Kevin K. McAleenan, of Hawaii, to be Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security. **Pages S1565–74**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of S. 2155, to promote economic growth, provide tailored regulatory relief, and enhance consumer protections. **Page S1565**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S1565**

Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral. **Page S1615**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 4:35 p.m., until 4 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1615.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States European Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2019 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from General Curtis M. Scaparrotti, USA, Commander, United States European Command and NATO Supreme Allied Commander Europe, Department of Defense.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND CHILD ABUSE IN THE MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel concluded a hearing to examine domestic violence and child abuse in the military, after receiving testimony from Stephanie Barna, Senior Policy Advisor, Under Secretary of Defense, Personnel and Readiness; Casey T. Taft, Principal Investigator, National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, Department of Veterans Affairs; Jacquelyn C. Campbell, Johns Hopkins School of Nursing; Kenneth A. Dodge, Duke University; Iris Vega, Doorways for Women and Families; Adrian Perry; and Merci McKinley.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 79, to provide for the establishment of a pilot program to identify security vulnerabilities of certain entities in the energy sector, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 186, to amend the Federal Power Act to provide that any inaction by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission that allows a rate change to go into effect shall be treated as an order by the Commission for purposes of rehearing and court review, with an amendment;

S. 1059, to extend the authorization of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 relating to the disposal site in Mesa County, Colorado;

S. 1160, to include Livingston County, the city of Jonesboro in Union County, and the city of Freeport

in Stephenson County, Illinois, to the Lincoln National Heritage Area;

S. 1181, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Agriculture to expedite access to certain Federal land under the administrative jurisdiction of each Secretary for good Samaritan search-and-recovery missions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1260 and H.R. 2615, bills to authorize the exchange of certain land located in Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jackson County, Mississippi, between the National Park Service and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1335 and H.R. 2888, bills to establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in the State of Missouri;

S. 1336, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to reauthorize hydroelectric production incentives and hydroelectric efficiency improvement incentives;

S. 1337, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to make certain strategic energy infrastructure projects eligible for certain loan guarantees, with an amendment;

S. 1446 and H.R. 1135, bills to reauthorize the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program;

S. 1457, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out demonstration projects relating to advanced nuclear reactor technologies to support domestic energy needs, with an amendment;

S. 1563, to authorize the Office of Fossil Energy to develop advanced separation technologies for the extraction and recovery of rare earth elements and minerals from coal and coal byproducts;

S. 1602, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land as the Finger Lakes National Heritage Area;

S. 1692, to authorize the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs;

S. 1799, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to facilitate the commercialization of energy and related technologies developed at Department of Energy facilities with promising commercial potential;

H.R. 1109, to amend section 203 of the Federal Power Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1981, to amend the Natural Gas Act to expedite approval of exports of small volumes of natural gas;

S. 2213 and H.R. 4300, bills to authorize Pacific Historic Parks to establish a commemorative display