

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2657–S2685

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2838–2852, and S. Res. 507–510. **Pages S2678–79**

Measures Reported:

S. 2559, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the Marrakesh Treaty. **Page S2678**

Measures Passed:

Greek Independence 197th Anniversary: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 443, recognizing the 197th anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S2683**

Joint Committees on Printing and on the Library: Senate agreed to S. Res. 509, providing for members on the part of the Senate of the Joint Committee on Printing and the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library. **Page S2683**

National Bladder Cancer Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 510, expressing support for the designation of the month of May 2018 as “National Bladder Cancer Awareness Month”. **Page S2683**

Federal Communications Commission Rule—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 12 noon, on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, Senator Schumer, or his designee, be recognized to offer a motion to proceed to S.J. Res. 52, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission relating to “Restoring Internet Freedom”. **Page S2676**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive reports of a committee:

Report to accompany The Treaty with the Federated States of Micronesia on the Delimitation of a Maritime Boundary (Treaty Doc. 114–13(A)) (Ex. Rept. 115–2); and

Report to accompany The Treaty with the Republic of Kiribati on the Delimitation of Maritime Boundaries (Treaty Doc. 114–13(B)) (Ex. Rept. 115–3). **Page S2678**

Zais Nomination—Agreement: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Mitchell Zais, of South Carolina, to be Deputy Secretary of Education. **Pages S2661–76**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following disposition of S.J. Res. 52, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission relating to “Restoring Internet Freedom”, Senate continue consideration of the nomination, that any remaining time be yielded back, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, with no intervening action or debate. **Page S2676**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 16, 2018. **Page S2683**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 77 yeas to 21 nays (Vote No. EX. 94), Joel M. Carson III, of New Mexico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit. **Pages S2657–61, S2685**

By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 95), John B. Nalbandian, of Kentucky, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit. **Pages S2661, S2685**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Gordon Hartogensis, of Connecticut, to be Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation for a term of five years.

Scott Stump, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Career, Technical, and Adult Education, Department of Education.

Gary Richard Brown, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Diane Gujarati, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Eric Ross Komitee, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Rachel P. Kovner, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Lewis J. Liman, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Maria Chapa Lopez, of Florida, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Florida for the term of four years.

Corey Landon Maze, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

Brian T. Moran, of Washington, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington for the term of four years.

Ryan Douglas Nelson, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Todd L. Nukes, of Indiana, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Indiana for the term of four years.

John L. Sinatra, Jr., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York.

Mary Kay Vyskocil, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Joshua Wolson, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Thomas D. Homan, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, which was sent to the Senate on November 14, 2017. **Page S2685**

Measures Read the First Time: **Page S2678**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—95) **Pages S2660–61**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:03 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 16, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2683.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: ARMY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2019 for the Army, after receiving testimony from Mark T. Esper, Secretary of the Army, and General Mark A. Milley, Chief of Staff of the Army, both of the Department of Defense.

APPROPRIATIONS: SENATE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND CAPITOL POLICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2019 for the Senate Sergeant at Arms and the Capitol Police, after receiving testimony from Michael Stenger, Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate; and Chief Matthew R. Verderosa, Capitol Police.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Thelma Drake, of Virginia, to be Federal Transit Administrator, Department of Transportation, Jeffrey Nadaner, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Seth Daniel Appleton, of Missouri, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Richard Clarida, of Connecticut, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and Michelle Bowman, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.