

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S61–S125

Measures Introduced: Six bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2010–2015, and S. Res. 285–288. **Page S108**

Measures Passed:

50th Anniversary of Rock 'n' Roll: Senate agreed to S. Res. 285, recognizing 2004 as the “50th Anniversary of Rock 'n' Roll”. **Pages S61–62**

Authorizing Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 286, to authorize legal representation in *United States of America v. Parvis Karim-Panahi*. **Page S122**

Commending the Southern University and A&M College of Baton Rouge Jaguars: Senate agreed to S. Res. 287, commending the Southern University and A&M College of Baton Rouge Jaguars for being the Sheridan Broadcasting National Black College Champions, the American Sports Wire National Black College Champions, and the MBC/BCSP National Black College Champions. **Pages S122–23**

Commending the Louisiana State University Tigers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 288, commending the Louisiana State University Tigers football team for winning the 2003 Bowl Championship Series national championship game. **Page S123**

Recognizing and Congratulating the East Boynton Beach, Florida, Little League team: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 273, recognizing and congratulating the East Boynton Beach, Florida, Little League team as the 2003 United States Little League Champions, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S123**

Agriculture Appropriations Act (Omnibus Appropriations)—Conference Report: Senate continued consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2673, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. **Pages S66–S104**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, January 22, 2004 and that there then be 4½ hours equally divided between the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Appropriations Committee or their designees for debate only; that following the use or yielding back of that debate time, the motion to proceed and the motion to reconsider the failed cloture vote be agreed to; and the Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture and that if cloture is invoked, the Senate then immediately proceed to a vote on the adoption of the conference report. **Page S104**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following protocol:

Additional Protocol Amending Investment Treaty with Bulgaria (Treaty Doc. No. 108–15).

The protocol was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Pages S123–24**

Appointments:

Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission: The Chair announced the following appointment made on January 6, 2004, during the sine die adjournment:

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 108–136, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission: Mike O'Callaghan of Nevada and Rick Surratt of Virginia. **Page S61**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Claudia Puig, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2008.

Gay Hart Gaines, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2004.

Stephen L. Johnson, of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Charles Johnson, of Utah, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.

Bradley D. Belt, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board for a term expiring September 30, 2008.

Fayza Veronique Boulad Rodman, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2006.

Albert Casey, of Texas, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2009.

Clark Kent Ervin, of Texas, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security (New Position), to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Cynthia Boich, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2007.

Dorothy A. Johnson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2007 (Reappointment), to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Henry Lozano, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2008.

Gerard Schwarz, of Washington, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for the remainder of the term expiring September 3, 2006.

Ronald E. Meisburg, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2008.

Robert Lerner, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Education Statistics for a term expiring June 21, 2009.

Raymond Simon, of Arkansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

A routine list in the Army.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Mark C. Brickell, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, Department of Housing and Urban Development for a term of five years, which was sent to the Senate on June 12, 2003.

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Measures Placed on Calendar:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 5:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, January 22, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S124.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NORTH KOREAN NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing on North Korean Nuclear Developments, after receiving testimony from Siegfried Hecker, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico.