

**Privilege of the Floor:** Page S1218

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—7) Pages S1165, S1183, S1184

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 5:58 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 10, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1218.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### 2006 BUDGET

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee held a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2006, receiving testimony from Joshua B. Bolten, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 47, to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land in the Santa Fe National Forest; and certain non-Federal land in the Pecos National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico;

S. 63, to establish the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area in the State of New Mexico, with an amendment;

S. 74, to designate a portion of the White Salmon River as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System;

S. 134, to adjust the boundary of Redwood National Park in the State of California;

S. 153, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a resource study of the Rim of the Valley Corridor in the State of California to evaluate alternatives for protecting the resources of the Corridor;

S. 156, to designate the Ojito Wilderness Study Area as wilderness, to take certain land into trust for the Pueblo of Zia, with an amendment;

S. 163, to establish the National Mormon Pioneer Heritage Area in the State of Utah, with an amendment;

S. 176, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska;

S. 177, to further the purposes of the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 by directing the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to carry out an assessment and demonstration program to control salt cedar and Russian olive;

S. 178, to provide assistance to the State of New Mexico for the development of comprehensive State water plans;

S. 200, to establish the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area in the State of Georgia, with an amendment;

S. 203, to reduce temporarily the royalty required to be paid for sodium produced on Federal lands;

S. 204, to establish the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area in the State of Louisiana;

S. 205, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish in the State of Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers;

S. 207, to adjust the boundary of the Barataria Preserve Unit of the Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve in the State of Louisiana;

S. 212, to amend the Valles Caldera Preservation Act to improve the preservation of the Valles Caldera;

S. 214, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the States on the border with Mexico and other appropriate entities in conducting a hydrogeologic characterization, mapping, and modeling program for priority transboundary aquifers;

S. 225, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program to reduce the risks from and mitigate the effects of avalanches on recreational users of public land, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 229, to clear title to certain real property in New Mexico associated with the Middle Rio Grande Project;

S. 231, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the rehabilitation of the Wallowa Lake Dam in Oregon;

S. 232, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to assist in the implementation of fish passage and screening facilities at non-Federal water projects;

S. 243, to establish a program and criteria for National Heritage Areas in the United States;

S. 244, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming;

S. 249, to establish the Great Basin National Heritage Route in the States of Nevada and Utah;

S. 252, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land in Washoe County, Nevada, to the Board of Regents of the University and Community College System of Nevada;

S. 253, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to the land to the Edward H. McDaniel American Legion Post No. 22 in Pahrump, Nevada, for the construction of a post building and memorial park for use by the American Legion, other veterans' groups, and the local community, with an amendment;

S. 254, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Lander County, Nevada, and

the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Eureka County, Nevada, for continued use as cemeteries;

S. 263, to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, with an amendment; and

S. 264, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize certain projects in the State of Hawaii.

#### BUDGET: EPA

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2006 for the Environmental Protection Agency, after receiving testimony from Stephen L. Johnson, Acting Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency.

#### SIX POWER TALKS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing of an update on six-party talks from Joseph DeTrani, Special Envoy to the Six Power Talks.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 265, to amend the Public Health Service Act to add requirements regarding trauma care;

S. 306, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment;

S. 302, to make improvements in the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health;

S. 285, to reauthorize the Children's Hospitals Graduate Medical Education Program;

S. 288, to extend Federal funding for operation of State high risk health insurance pools; and

The nominations of A. Wilson Greene, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, Katina P. Strauch, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, and Edward L. Flippen, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Corporation for National and Community Services.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by all committees of the Senate.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Measures Introduced:** 60 public bills, H.R. 3, 679–737; 1 private bill, H.R. 738; and 11 resolutions, H.J. Res. 17; H. Con. Res. 50–52, and H. Res. 76–83, were introduced. **Pages H520–24**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H520**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 75, providing for further consideration of H.R. 418, to establish and rapidly implement regulations for State driver's license and identification document security standards, to prevent terrorists from abusing the asylum laws of the United States, to unify terrorism-related grounds for inadmissibility and removal, and to ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence (H. Rept. 109–4).

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H417**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by Rev. David F. Allen, Pastor, Welcome Baptist Church in Beckley, West Virginia. **Page H417**

**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Pearce wherein he resigned from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, effective immediately. **Page H419**

**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Harris wherein she resigned from the Committee on Government Reform, effective immediately. **Page H419**

**Committee Elections:** The House agreed to H. Res. 73, electing the following members to the Committee on Homeland Security, with previously elected members restated for the purpose of ranking: Representatives Young (AL), Smith (TX), Weldon (PA), Shays, King (NY), Linder, Souder, Tom Davis