

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2505–S2585

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 603–610, S. Con. Res. 18–19. **Page S2517**

Measures Reported:

S. 263, to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 109–36)

S. Con. Res. 18, setting for the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2006 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2005 and 2007 through 2010. **Page S2517**

Measures Passed:

Honoring Enrique Camarena: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 73, honoring the life of Enrique “Kiki” Camarena, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S2585**

Nomination Referral—Agreement: On Thursday, March 10, 2005, a unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the nomination for the Assistant Secretary for Civil Works is received by the Senate, it be referred to the Committee on Armed Services, provided that when the Committee on Armed Services reports the nomination, it be referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works for a period of 20 days of session, provided further that if the Committee on Environment and

Public Works does not report the nomination within those 20 days, the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the nomination and the nomination be placed on the calendar.

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Authority for Committees to Meet: **Page S2531**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 12:06 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Monday, March 14, 2005. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S2585.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

Nominations

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of R. Nicholas Burns, of Massachusetts, to be an Under Secretary of State (Political Affairs), C. David Welch, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Near Eastern Affairs), and John B. Bellinger, of Virginia, to be Legal Adviser of the Department of State, who were introduced by Senator Warner, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.