

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S3717–S3766*

**Measures Introduced:** Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 811–822, and S. Res. 111–112. **Pages S3734–35**

**Measures Passed:**

***Democratic Reform in the Kyrgyz Republic:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 111, urging the United States to increase its efforts to ensure democratic reform in the Kyrgyz Republic. **Pages S3759–60**

***Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 112, designating the third week of April in 2005 as “National Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week”. **Pages S3760–61**

**Supplemental Appropriations:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1268, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, 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, to ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S3718–30**

**Pending:**

Mikulski Amendment No. 387, to revise certain requirements for H–2B employers and require submission of information regarding H–2B non-immigrants. **Page S3718**

Feinstein Amendment No. 395, to express the sense of the Senate that the text of the REAL ID Act of 2005 should not be included in the conference report. **Page S3718**

Bayh Amendment No. 406, to protect the financial condition of members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces who are ordered to long-term active duty in support of a contingency operation. **Page S3718**

Durbin Amendment No. 427, to require reports on Iraqi security services. **Page S3718**

Salazar Amendment No. 351, to express the sense of the Senate that the earned income tax credit provides critical support to many military and civilian families. **Page S3718**

Dorgan/Durbin Amendment No. 399, to prohibit the continuation of the independent counsel investigation of Henry Cisneros past June 1, 2005 and request an accounting of costs from GAO. **Page S3718**

Reid Amendment No. 445, to achieve an acceleration and expansion of efforts to reconstruct and rehabilitate Iraq and to reduce the future risks to United States Armed Forces personnel and future costs to United States taxpayers, by ensuring that the people of Iraq and other nations do their fair share to secure and rebuild Iraq. **Page S3718**

Frist (for Chambliss/Kyl) Amendment No. 432, to simplify the process for admitting temporary alien agricultural workers under section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, to increase access to such workers. **Page S3718**

Frist (for Craig/Kennedy) Modified Amendment No. 375, to provide for the adjustment of status of certain foreign agricultural workers, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to reform the H–2A worker program under that Act, to provide a stable, legal agricultural workforce, to extend basic legal protections and better working conditions to more workers. **Page S3719**

DeWine Amendment No. 340, to increase the period of continued TRICARE coverage of children of members of the uniformed services who die while serving on active duty for a period of more than 30 days. **Pages S3719–20**

DeWine Amendment No. 342, to appropriate \$10,000,000 to provide assistance to Haiti using Child Survival and Health Programs funds, \$21,000,000 to provide assistance to Haiti using Economic Support Fund funds, and \$10,000,000 to provide assistance to Haiti using International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement funds, to be designated as an emergency requirement. **Pages S3720–22**

Schumer Amendment No. 451, to lower the burden of gasoline prices on the economy of the United

States and circumvent the efforts of OPEC to reap windfall oil profits. **Page S3722**

Reid (for Reed/Chafee) Amendment No. 452, to provide for the adjustment of status of certain nationals of Liberia to that of lawful permanent residence. **Page S3762**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Frist (for Chambliss/Kyl) Amendment No. 432, and notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the order of April 15, 2005, a vote on the motion to invoke cloture will occur at 11:45 a.m., on Tuesday, April 19, 2005. **Page S3719**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Frist (for Craig/Kennedy) Modified Amendment No. 375, and notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the order of April 15, 2005, a vote on the motion to invoke cloture will occur immediately following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Frist (for Chambliss/Kyl) Amendment No. 432 (listed above), on Tuesday, April 19, 2005. **Page S3719**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the order of April 15, 2005, a vote on the motion to invoke cloture will occur immediately following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Mikulski Amendment No. 387 (listed above), on Tuesday, April 19, 2005. **Page S3761**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote on the pending cloture motion filed on Thursday, April 14, 2005 on Mikulski Amendment No. 387 to occur at 4:30 p.m., on Tuesday, April 19, 2005, if the Senate is not proceeding post-cloture. **Page S3761**

A unanimous consent agreement was reached providing that Members have until 2 p.m., on Monday,

April 18, 2005, to file first-degree amendments; and that Members have until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 2005, to file second-degree amendments to the Frist (for Chambliss/Kyl) Amendment No. 432 (listed above), and the Frist (for Craig/Kennedy) Modified Amendment No. 375 (listed above). **Page S3761**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 2 p.m., on Monday, April 18, 2005.

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Pamela Hughes Patenaude, of New Hampshire, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. (Prior to this action, Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration.) **Page S3766**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nomination: Raymond Simon, of Arkansas, to be Deputy Secretary of Education. **Page S3766**

**Messages From the House:** **Page S3734**

**Executive Communications:** **Page S3734**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S3735–36**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S3736–53**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S3753–59**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:38 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Monday, April 18, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3761.)

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. It will meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 18 in pro forma session and at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19 for Morning Hour debate.

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 18 through April 23, 2005

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 1268, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 1268, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations; at 11:45 a.m., Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Frist (for Chambliss/Kyl)