

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 3199, USA PATRIOT and Terrorism Prevention Reauthorization Act of 2005.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8589–S8714

Measures Introduced: Twenty-four bills and two resolutions, were introduced, as follows: S. 1440–1463, and S. Res. 203–204. **Pages S8664–65**

Measures Reported:

S. 1446, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006. (S. Rept. No. 109–106)

H.R. 2528, making appropriations for military quality of life functions of the Department of Defense, military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8664**

Measures Passed:

Highway Extension: Senate passed H.R. 3377, to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S8712**

Use of Capitol Rotunda: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 202, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to honor Constantino Brumidi on the 200th anniversary of his birth. **Page S8712**

VA 75th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 203, recognizing the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Veterans' Administration and acknowledging the achievements of the Veterans' Administration and the Department of Veterans Affairs. **Pages S8712–13**

Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. 544, to amend title IX of the Public Health Service Act to provide for the improvement of patient safety and to reduce the incidence of events that adversely effect patient safety, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment, proposed thereto:

Warner (for Enzi) Amendment No. 1411, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8713–114**

Department of Defense Authorization: Senate continued consideration of S. 1042, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2006 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8602–60**

Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 199), Warner Modified Amendment No. 1314, to increase, with an offset, amounts available for the procurement of wheeled vehicles for the Army and the Marine Corps and for armor for such vehicles. **Pages S8607–08, S8614–17**

Graham Amendment No. 1363, to expand the eligibility of members of the Selected Reserve under the TRICARE program. **Pages S8625–31**

Levin/Kerry Amendment No. 1376, to enhance and extend the increase in the amount of the death gratuity. **Pages S8632–33**

Warner Amendment No. 1390, to increase the authorized number of Defense Intelligence Senior Executive Service employees. **Page S8651**

Warner (for Wyden/Smith) Amendment No. 1391, to provide for cooperative agreements with tribal organizations relating to the disposal of lethal chemical agents and munitions. **Page S8652**

Warner Amendment No. 1392, to provide for the provision by the White House Communications Agency of audiovisual support services on a non-reimbursable basis. **Page S8652**

Warner (for Inouye) Amendment No. 1393, to establish the United States Military Cancer Institute. **Page S8652**

Warner (for Sessions) Amendment No. 1394, to make available, with an offset, an additional \$1,000,000 for research, development, test, and evaluation, Army, for the Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center. **Page S8652**

Warner (for Reed) Amendment No. 1395, to make available, with an offset, \$5,000,000 for research, development, test, and evaluation, Navy, for the design, development, and test of improvements to the towed array handler. **Page S8652**

Warner (for Stevens) Amendment No. 1396, to authorize \$5,500,000 for military construction for the Army for the construction of a rotary wing landing pad at Fort Wainwright, Alaska, and to provide an offset of \$8,000,000 by canceling a military construction project for the construction of an F-15E flight simulator facility at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. **Page S8652**

Warner (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 1397, to reduce funds for an Army Aviation Support Facility for the Army National Guard at New Castle, Delaware, and to modify other military construction authorizations. **Pages S8652-53**

Warner (for Lott/Cochran) Amendment No. 1398, relating to the LHA Replacement Ship. **Page S8653**

Warner (for Feinstein/Grassley) Amendment No. 1399, to provide for the transfer of the Battleship U.S.S. Iowa (BB-61). **Page S8653**

Warner (for Lott) Amendment No. 1400, to improve the management of the Armed Forces Retirement Home. **Page S8653**

By 78 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 200), Lugar Amendment No. 1380, to improve authorities to address urgent nonproliferation crises and United States nonproliferation operations. **Pages S8640-50, S8654-57**

Pending:

Frist Amendment No. 1342, to support certain youth organizations, including the Boy Scouts of America and Girl Scouts of America. **Pages S8602-07**

Inhofe Amendment No. 1311, to protect the economic and energy security of the United States. **Pages S8608-09**

Inhofe/Collins Amendment No. 1312, to express the sense of Congress that the President should take immediate steps to establish a plan to implement the recommendations of the 2004 Report to Congress of the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission. **Pages S8609-11**

Inhofe/Kyl Amendment No. 1313, to require an annual report on the use of United States funds with respect to the activities and management of the International Committee of the Red Cross. **Pages S8611-13**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 1351, to stop corporations from financing terrorism. **Pages S8613-14, S8618-25**

Ensign Amendment No. 1374, to require a report on the use of riot control agents. **Page S8631**

Ensign Amendment No. 1375, to require a report on the costs incurred by the Department of Defense in implementing or supporting resolutions of the United Nations Security Council. **Pages S8631-32**

Collins Amendment No. 1377 (to Amendment No. 1351), to ensure that certain persons do not evade or avoid the prohibition imposed under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act. **Pages S8633-35**

Durbin Amendment No. 1379, to require certain dietary supplement manufacturers to report certain serious adverse events. **Pages S8635-38**

Hutchison/Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 1357, to express the sense of the Senate with regard to manned space flight. **Pages S8638-40**

Thune Amendment No. 1389, to postpone the 2005 round of defense base closure and realignment. **Pages S8650-51, S8657-60**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10 a.m. on Friday, July 22, 2005. **Page S8714**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that during this adjournment of the Senate, the Majority Whip, be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions. **Page S8712**

Quarterly Financial Report Program—Referral: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2385, to extend by 10 years the authority of the Secretary of Commerce to conduct the quarterly financial report program, and the bill then be referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. **Page S8713**

Highway Extension Enrollment—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the recess or adjournment of the Senate, that when the Senate receives from the House of Representatives a concurrent resolution relating to the enrollment of H.R. 3377, to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for

the 21st Century, the resolution be considered, agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table. **Page S8714**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 62 yeas 38 nays (Vote No. EX. 198), Thomas C. Dorr, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development. **Pages S8590–S8602**

(Prior to this action, the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination was vitiated.)

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Thomas C. Dorr, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation. **Page S8602**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

William J. Burns, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Russia Federation.

Arthur F. Rosenfeld, of Virginia, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director.

Donetta Davidson, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for the remainder of the term expiring December 12, 2007.

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S8684–S8711**

Authority for Committees to Meet: **Pages S8711–12**

Privilege of the Floor: **Page S8712**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—200) **Pages S8602, S8617, S8654**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:58 p.m. until 10 a.m., on Friday, July 22, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8714.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled "Commodity Exchange Reauthorization Act of 2005."

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 2528, making appropriations for military quality of life functions of the Department of Defense, military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

An original bill (S. 1446), making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

MONETARY POLICY REPORT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Semi-Annual Monetary Policy Report of the Federal Reserve, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill to amend and enhance certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation;

S. 1390, to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000, with amendments;

S. 363, to amend the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 to establish vessel ballast water management requirements, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 360, to amend the Coastal Zone Management Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1392, to reauthorize the Federal Trade Commission, with amendments; and

The nominations of Rebecca F. Dye, of North Carolina, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, and certain Coast Guard officer nomination lists.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the current state of climate change scientific research and the economics of strategies to manage climate change, focusing on the relationship between energy consumption and