

to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Stabenow Amendment No. 1937, to ensure that future funding for health care for former members of the Armed Forces takes into account changes in population and inflation. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment would provide spending in excess of the subcommittee's 302(b) allocation was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Page S11117**

By 94 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 252), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Page S11118**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 6, 2005; and that, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, all time overnight be counted against the 30 hours post closure. **Page S11166**

Appointments:

United States-China Economic Security and Review Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 106-398, as amended by Public Law 108-7, in accordance with the qualifications specified under section 1238(b)(3)(E) of Public Law 106-398, and upon the recommendation of the Democratic Leader, in consultation with the chairmen of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Finance, reappointed the following individuals to the United States-China Economic Security and Review Commission: C. Richard D'Amato of Maryland for a term beginning January 1, 2006 and expiring December 31, 2007, and William A. Reinsch of Maryland for a term beginning January 1, 2006 and expiring December 31, 2007. **Page S11165**

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—252) **Pages S11112, S11113, S11114, S11116, S11117, S11118**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:01 a.m., and adjourned at 11:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 6, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the

remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11166.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SPYWARE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Trade, Tourism, and Economic Development concluded a hearing to examine the impact of spyware that is downloaded without authorization on consumers and the Internet as a medium of communication and commerce, and Federal efforts to protect consumers from this problem, after receiving testimony from Deborah Platt Majoras, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission.

KYOTO PROTOCOL: GREENHOUSE GASES

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the status of efforts to reduce greenhouse gases relating to the Kyoto Protocol, which is an amendment to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) requiring countries which ratify this protocol to commit to reduce their emissions of carbon dioxide and five other greenhouse gases, or engage in emissions trading if they maintain or increase emissions of these gases, after receiving testimony from Harlan L. Watson, Senior Climate Negotiator and Special Representative, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Department of State; Lord Nigel Lawson, House of Lords, and Michael Grubb, Imperial College London Department of Environmental Science and Technology, both of the United Kingdom; and Margo Thorning, American Council for Capital Formation, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING: NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert A. Mosbacher, of Texas, to be President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, Jan E. Boyer, of Texas, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, Francis Rooney, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Holy See, Alfred Hoffman, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Portugal, Thomas A. Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs, Charles A. Ford, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Honduras, Mark Langdale, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica, Brenda LaGrange Johnson, of New York, to be Ambassador to Jamaica, Alexander R. Vershbow, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of

Korea, Patricia Louise Herbold, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, William Paul McCormick, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Samoa, John J. Danilovich, of California, to be Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Corporation, John Hillen, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Political-Military Affairs, Barry F. Lowenkron, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Kent R. Hill, of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, Jacqueline Ellen Schafer, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, Josette Sheeran Shiner, of Virginia, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the African Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the African Development Fund; United States Alternate Governor of the Asian Development Bank; and United States Alternate Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Jendayi Elizabeth Frazer, Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation, and a

Foreign Service Officer promotion list received in the Senate on July 29, 2005.

INTELLIGENCE

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

OLDER AMERICANS' NEEDS DURING DISASTERS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee held a hearing to examine preparing for and meeting the needs of older Americans during a disaster, focusing on seniors in nursing homes or assisted living facilities, organizing safe and accessible transportation, temporary housing, and providing continuity of services to older evacuees, receiving testimony from Keith Bea, Specialist, American National Government, Government and Finance Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Maria Greene, Georgia Department of Human Resources, Atlanta; Jeffrey Goldhagen, Duval County Health Department, Jacksonville, Florida; Leigh E. Wade, Area Agency on Aging of Southwest Florida, Inc., Fort Myers, on behalf of the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging; Carolyn S. Wilken, University of Florida, Gainesville; and Susan C. Waltman, Greater New York Hospital Association, New York, New York.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, October 6 for Legislative Business.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL WORKFORCE—ACCOUNTABILITY AND REWARDS

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization held a hearing entitled "Mom, Apple Pie, and Working for America: Accountability and Rewards for the Federal Workforce." Testimony was heard from Linda M. Springer, Director OPM; David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; Theresa S. Shaw, Chief Operating Officer, Office of Federal Student Aid, Department of Education; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the potential for Marriage Development Accounts in the District of Columbia, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michael W. Wynne, of Florida, to be Secretary of the Air Force, and Donald C. Winter, of Virginia, to be Secretary of the Navy, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Exon-Florio provision by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), Department of the Treasury, which seeks to serve U.S. investment policy through reviews that protect national security while