

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2759–S2847

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2498–2507, S. Res. 421–423, and S. Con. Res. 85.

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Measures Reported:

S. 2012, to authorize appropriations to the Secretary of Commerce for the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act for fiscal years 2006 through 2012, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–229)

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Measures Passed:

Religious Freedom in Afghanistan: Senate agreed to S. Res. 421, calling on the Government of Afghanistan to uphold freedom of religion and urging the Government of the United States to promote religious freedom in Afghanistan.

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National and Global Youth Service Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 422, designating April 21, 2006, as National and Global Youth Service Day.

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National Cushing's Syndrome Awareness Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 423, designating April 8, 2006, as "National Cushing's Syndrome Awareness Day."

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Honoring Former President Eisenhower: Senate passed S.J. Res. 28, approving the location of the commemorative work in the District of Columbia honoring former President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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America's National Negro Leagues Baseball Museum: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 60, designating the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, as America's National Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, after agreeing to the committee amendment.

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Securing America's Borders Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 2454, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for comprehensive re-

form, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2763–95**

Pending:

Specter/Leahy Amendment No. 3192, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2763**

Kyl/Cornyn Amendment No. 3206 (to Amendment No. 3192), to make certain aliens ineligible for conditional nonimmigrant work authorization and status. (By a unanimous vote of 99 nays (Vote No. 87), Senate failed to table the amendment.)

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Cornyn Amendment No. 3207 (to Amendment No. 3206), to establish an enactment date.

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Isakson Amendment No. 3215 (to Amendment No. 3192), to demonstrate respect for legal immigration by prohibiting the implementation of a new alien guest worker program until the Secretary of Homeland Security certifies to the President and the Congress that the borders of the United States are reasonably sealed and secured.

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Dorgan Amendment No. 3223 (to Amendment No. 3192), to allow United States citizens under 18 years of age to travel to Canada without a passport, to develop a system to enable United States citizens to take 24-hour excursions to Canada without a passport, and to limit the cost of passport cards or similar alternatives to passports to \$20.

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Mikulski/Warner Amendment No. 3217 (to Amendment No. 3192), to extend the termination date for the exemption of returning workers from the numerical limitations for temporary workers.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on Specter/Leahy Amendment No. 3192 (listed above) and, pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote will occur on Thursday, April 6, 2006.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 5, 2006.

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Native Hawaiian Low-Income Housing Assistance Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 598, to reauthorize

provisions in the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 relating to Native Hawaiian low-income housing and Federal loan guarantees for Native Hawaiian housing, be referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and then immediately discharged from further consideration by the committee and placed on the calendar. **Page S2842**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Investment Treaty with Uruguay (Treaty Doc. No. 109–9).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Page S2845**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 86), Michael A. Chagares, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total–87) **Pages S2762, S2791**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:29 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 5, 2006. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S2847.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, with amendments.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded a hearing to examine the proposed defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007, focusing on missile defense programs, after receiving testimony from Peter C.W. Flory, Assistant Secretary for International Security Policy, and David W. Duma, Acting Director, Operational Test and Evaluation, both of the Department of Defense; Lieutenant General Larry J. Dodgen, USA, Commander, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, U.S. Army Forces Strategic Command; and Lieutenant General Henry A. Obering, III, USAF, Director, Missile Defense Agency.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel concluded a hearing to examine the proposed defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007, focusing on health benefits and programs, after receiving testimony from David S.C. Chu, Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, and William Winkenwerder, Jr., Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs, both of the Department of Defense; General Richard A. Cody, USA, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army; Admiral Robert F. Willard, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, United States Navy; General Robert Magnus, USMC, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, United States Marine Corps; and General John D.W. Corley, USAF, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Air Force.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower concluded a hearing to examine the proposed defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007 and the future years defense program, focusing on the posture of the United States Transportation Command, after receiving testimony from General Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Commander, U.S. Transportation Command; and General Duncan J. McNabb, USAF, Commander, Air Mobility Command.

TERRORIST FINANCING AND MONEY LAUNDERING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a current assessment of money laundering and terrorist financing threats and countermeasures, after receiving testimony from Stuart Levey, Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence; E. Anthony Wayne, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs; Michael F.A. Morehart, Chief, Terrorist Financing Operations Section,