

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 4939, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3997–S4092

Measures Introduced: Forty-five bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2709–2753, and S. Res. 465–468. **Pages S4050–51**

Measures Passed:

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: By 77 yeas to 21 nays (Vote No. 112), Senate passed H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4007–30**

Adopted:

Cochran (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 3753, to provide project-based housing assistance to repair housing damaged as a result of Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 hurricane season. **Page S4008**

Cochran (for Voinovich/DeWine) Amendment No. 3677, to make a technical correction to a project for Rickenbacker Airport, Columbus, Ohio. **Page S4009**

Cochran (for Vitter) Modified Amendment No. 3819, to provide hurricane assistance to certain holders of fishery finance program loans. **Page S4009**

Cochran (for Byrd) Amendment No. 3860, to extend the availability of certain funds appropriated in Public Law 106–554 (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2001). **Page S4009**

Cochran (for Reed) Modified Amendment No. 3592, to provide emergency funding to upgrade the Fox Point Hurricane Barrier in Providence, Rhode Island. **Pages S4009–10**

Cochran (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3729, to direct the Secretary of the Army to assume responsibility for the annual operation and maintenance of the Fox Point Hurricane Barrier in Providence, Rhode Island. **Page S4010**

Cochran (for Baucus/Burns) Amendment No. 3761, relative to contract authority. **Pages S4010–11**

Cochran (for Bennett) Modified Amendment No. 3805, to allow nonconforming signs damaged by an act of God to be repaired or replaced under certain conditions. **Page S4011**

Vitter/Landrieu Further Modified Amendment No. 3728, to provide for flood prevention in the State of Louisiana, with an offset. **Pages S4007, S4011–13**

Obama (for Voinovich) Modified Amendment No. 3824, to provide funds for the maintenance of the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal Demonstration Barrier, Illinois. **Page S4014**

Grassley/Baucus Amendment No. 3732, to transfer funds from the Disaster Relief fund to the Social Security Administration for necessary expenses and direct or indirect losses related to the consequences of Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season. **Pages S4014–16**

Landrieu Modified Amendment No. 3851, relative to charter schools damaged due to the effects of Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita. **Page S4017**

Rejected:

By 39 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 111), Thune Amendment No. 3704, to provide, with an offset, \$20,000,000 for the Department of Veterans Affairs for Medical Facilities. **Pages S4007, S4013–14, S4016**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Cochran, Stevens, Specter, Domenici, Bond, McConnell, Burns, Shelby, Gregg, Bennett, Craig, Hutchison, DeWine, Brownback, Allard, Byrd, Inouye, Leahy, Harkin, Mikulski, Reid, Kohl, Murray, Dorgan, Feinstein, Durbin, Johnson, and Landrieu. **Page S4029**

Child Crime Offender Registration: Senate passed S. 1086, to improve the national program to register and monitor individuals who commit crimes against children or sex offenses, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4079–90**

National Childhood Stroke Awareness Day: Senate passed S. Res. 465, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to childhood stroke and designating May 6, 2006, as “National Childhood Stroke Awareness Day”. **Page S4090**

Negro Leaguers Recognition Day: Senate passed S. Res. 466, designating May 20, 2006, as “Negro Leaguers Recognition Day”. **Pages S4090–91**

Honoring Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist: Senate passed H.J. Res. 83, to memorialize and honor the contribution of Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4091**

D.C. Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 359, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run. **Page S4092**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 95 yeas (Vote No. EX. 113), Brian M. Cogan, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York. **Pages S4034–35, S4092**

By unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. EX. 114), Thomas M. Golden, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. **Pages S4035–36, S4092**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jerome A. Holmes, of Oklahoma, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

Valerie L. Baker, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Charles P. Rosenberg, of Virginia, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia for the term of four years.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Jerome A. Holmes, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma, which was sent to the Senate on February 14, 2006. **Page S4092**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—114) **Pages S4016, S4029, S4035**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:32 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 5, 2006. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S4092.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: FAA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury, the Judiciary, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the Federal Aviation Administration, after receiving testimony from Marion C. Blakey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill entitled “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007”;

An original bill entitled “Department of Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007”;

An original bill entitled “Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007”; and

An original bill entitled “Department of Energy National Security Act for Fiscal Year 2007”.

BUSINESS MEETING: FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATORY RELIEF ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill, to provide regulatory relief and improve productivity for insured depository institutions.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS MOVING FRAUD

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine concluded a hearing to examine protecting consumers from fraudulent practices in the moving industry, focusing on criminal elements that operate