

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 5576, Departments of Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, the District of Columbia and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2007.

House Committees ordered reported 15 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5821–S5902

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3507–3515, S. Res. 512, and S. Con. Res. 101. **Page S5874**

Measures Passed:

231st Birthday of the Army: Senate agreed to S. Res. 512, celebrating the 231st birthday of the Army and commending the men and women of the Army as exceptional individuals who live by the values of loyalty, duty, and selfless service.

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Recognizing Ignacy Jan Paderewski: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 491, recognizing the accomplishments of Ignacy Jan Paderewski as a musician, composer, statesman, and philanthropist, and commemorating the 65th anniversary of his death on June 29, 1941, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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National Defense Authorization: Senate continued consideration of S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 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:

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Adopted:

Levin (for Lautenberg/Stabenow) Modified Amendment No. 4205, to provide a temporary prohibition on an increase in copayments required under the retail pharmacy system of the pharmacy benefits program of the Department of Defense.

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Warner Amendment No. 4211, to name the CVN-78 aircraft carrier the U.S.S. Gerald Ford.

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By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 170), McCain Amendment No. 4242, to require regular budgeting for ongoing military operations.

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Rejected:

Dorgan Amendment No. 4230, to improve Federal contracting and procurement by eliminating fraud and abuse and improving competition in contracting and procurement and by enhancing administration of Federal contracting personnel. (By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 169), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Withdrawn:

Martinez/Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 4237, to provide that States likely to be affected by the hurricane season in 2007 are afforded a priority in funding for replacement equipment for the National Guard.

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Pending:

Santorum Amendment No. 4234, to authorize, with an offset, assistance for pro-democracy programs and activities inside and outside Iran, to make clear that the United States supports the ability of the people of Iran to exercise self-determination over their own form of government, and to make enhancements to the Iran-Libya Sanctions Act of 1996.

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McCain Amendment No. 4241, to name the Act after John Warner, a Senator from Virginia.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, June 15, 2006, following the vote on adoption of the conference report to accompany H.R. 4939 (listed below).

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Emergency Supplemental Appropriations—Conference Report: Senate continued consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report at 10 a.m., on Thursday, June 15, 2006, with a vote on adoption of the conference report to occur immediately.

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Fort Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the nomination of Randall M. Fort, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research, be discharged from the Committee on Foreign Relations and that it then be referred to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

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Ikuta Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of Sandra Segal Ikuta, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, at 3:30 p.m., on Monday, June 19, 2006, with the time until 5:30 p.m., to be equally divided between the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on the Judiciary, or their designees, with a vote to occur at 5:30 p.m., on confirmation of the nomination.

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Tributes—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senators be permitted to submit tributes to Senator Byrd and former Senator Dole for the Record until Friday, June 16, 2006, and that each then be printed as a Senate document.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

- 32 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
- 1 Army nomination in the rank of general.
- 2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.
- 1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.
- Routine lists in the Army, Marine Corps, Navy.

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S5879–95**

Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Privileges of the Floor:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—170)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:01 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 15, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5899.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 418, to protect members of the Armed Forces from unscrupulous practices regarding sales of insurance, financial, and investment products, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 811, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the birth of Abraham Lincoln;

S. 2321, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Louis Braille; and

The nominations of Sheila C. Bair, of Kansas, to be a Member and Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Kathleen L. Casey, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Robert M. Couch, of Alabama, to be President, Government National Mortgage Association, Donald L. Kohn, of Virginia, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and James B. Lockhart III, of Connecticut, to be Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Financial Accountability Standards Board's proposed standard on "Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans", after receiving testimony from Robert H. Herz, Financial Accounting Standards Board, Norwalk, Connecticut; and David Tweedie, International Accounting Standards Board, London, England.

MARK-TO-MARKET PROGRAM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 3511,