

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9737–S9857

Measures Introduced: Two bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3914–3915, and S. Res. 575–577 **Page S9787**

Measures Reported:

S. 2912, to establish the Great Lakes Interagency Task Force, to establish the Great Lakes Regional Collaboration, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 109–338)

S. 3551, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Tylersville division of the Lamar National Fish Hatchery and Fish Technology Center to the State of Pennsylvania, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 109–339)

S. 3617, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act. (S. Rept. No. 109–340)

H.R. 5061, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey Paint Bank National Fish Hatchery and Wytheville National Fish Hatchery to the State of Virginia. (S. Rept. No. 109–341)

H.R. 854, to provide for certain lands to be held in trust for the Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute Tribe. (S. Rept. No. 109–342)

S. 1535, to amend the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Equitable Compensation Act to provide compensation to members of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe for damage resulting from the Oahe Dam and Reservoir Project, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–343)

S. 374, to provide compensation to the Lower Brule and Crow Creek Sioux Tribes of South Dakota for damage to tribal land caused by Pick-Sloan projects along the Missouri River, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–344) **Pages S9785–86**

Measures Passed:

Red Ribbon Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 576, supporting the goals of Red Ribbon Week. **Page S9848**

National Good Neighbor Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 577, designating September 24, 2006, as “National Good Neighbor Day”. **Pages S9848–49**

Code Talkers Recognition Act: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1035, to authorize the presentation of commemorative medals on behalf of Congress to Native Americans who served as Code Talkers during foreign conflicts in which the United States was involved during the 20th century in recognition of the service of those Native Americans to the United States, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S9850–52**

Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act Reauthorization: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3408, to reauthorize the Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act of 1999 and to amend the swine reporting provisions of that Act, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S9852–53**

Secure Fence Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 6061, to establish operational control over the international land and maritime borders of the United States. **Pages S9739–46**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By a unanimous vote of 94 yeas (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 motion to proceed to consideration of the bill **Page S9746**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m. on Thursday, September 21, 2006; provided further, that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, all time count against the motion under Rule XXII. **Page S9853**

Children and Family Services Improvement Act—House Message: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives to S. 3525, to amend part B of title IV of the Social Security Act to reauthorize the promoting safe and stable families program, with the following amendments: **Pages S9849–50**

McConnell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 5024 (to the amendment of the House to S. 3525), in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9850**

McConnell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 5025 (to the amendment of the House to the title of S. 3525), to amend the title. **Page S9850**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Report to accompany Extradition Treaty with Great Britain and Northern Ireland (Treaty Doc. 108–23) (Ex. Rept. 109–19). **Pages S9786–87**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Cindy Lou Courville, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the African Union, with the rank of Ambassador.

Barbara Boxer, of California, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Norman B. Coleman, of Minnesota, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.) **Pages S9853, S9857**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mark J. Warshawsky, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board for a term expiring September 30, 2012.

Dana K. Bilyeu, of Nevada, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board for a term expiring September 30, 2010.

Barbara Boxer, of California, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Norman B. Coleman, of Minnesota, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Cecil E. Floyd, of South Carolina, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Kay Kelley Arnold, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2010. (Reappointment).

Gary C. Bryner, of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008.

Thomas Joseph Dodd, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008.

Hector E. Morales, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2010.

John P. Salazar, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012.

Thomas A. Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012.

Jack Vaughn, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012. (Reappointment).

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

4 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Coast Guard.

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

Nadine Hogan, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008, which was sent to the Senate on January 24, 2005.

John E. Maupin, Jr., of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board for a term expiring September 30, 2010, which was sent to the Senate on September 6, 2005.

Nadine Hogan, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008 (Recess Appointment), which was sent to the Senate on February 10, 2006.

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Messages From the House: **Page S9785**

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Measures Read First Time: **Pages S9785, S9853**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S9792–S9820**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S9820**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—252) **Page S9746**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:42 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 21, 2006. (For Senate's program, see

the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9853.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NON-TRADITIONAL MORTGAGE PRODUCTS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, and the Subcommittee on Economic Policy, concluded a joint hearing to examine issues relating to non-traditional mortgages and their implications for consumers, financial institutions, and the economy, after receiving testimony from Orice M. Williams, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investments, Government Accountability Office; Kathryn E. Dick, Deputy Comptroller for Credit and Market Risk, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, and Scott M. Albinson, Managing Director, Examinations, Supervision and Consumer Protection, Office of Thrift Supervision, both of the Department of the Treasury; Sandra F. Braunstein, Director, Division of Consumer and Community Affairs, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Sandra L. Thompson, Acting Director, Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Robert D. Broeksmit, Mortgage Bankers Association, and Allen J. Fishbein, Consumer Federation of America, and National Consumer Law Center, both of Washington, D.C.; George Hanzimanolis, National Association of Mortgage Brokers, Tannersville, Pennsylvania; William A. Simpson, Republic Mortgage Insurance Company, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on behalf of the Mortgage Insurance Companies of America; Michael D. Calhoun, Center for Responsible Lending, Durham, North Carolina; and Felecia A. Rotellini, Arizona Superintendent of Financial Institutions, Phoenix.

INTERNET GOVERNANCE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Trade, Tourism, and Economic Development concluded a hearing to examine the future of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) relating to Internet governance, focusing on the Memorandum of Understanding between ICANN and the Department of Commerce, after receiving testimony from John M.R. Kneuer, Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information; Jon Leibowitz, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission; Paul Twomey, Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, Marina del Rey, California; Ken Silva,

VeriSign, Mountain View, California; and Christine N. Jones, Go Daddy Group, Inc., Scottsdale, Arizona.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Mary E. Peters, of Arizona, to be Secretary of Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators McCain and Kyl, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

ASIA-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine approaches embodied in the Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate (the Partnership), which is a Presidential initiative to establish an innovative public-private collaboration for addressing the interconnected challenges of assuring economic growth and development, poverty eradication, energy security, pollution reduction, and mitigating climate change, after receiving testimony from James L. Connaughton, Chairman, Council on Environmental Quality; Bjorn Lomborg, Copenhagen Business School, Copenhagen, Denmark; David D. Doniger, Natural Resources Defense Council, New York, New York; and E. Calvin Beisner, Knox Theological Seminary, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

BUSINESS TAX REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine objectives, deficiencies, and options for reform relating to business tax system, focusing on the benefits of simplification and increased uniformity of the federal tax code, after receiving testimony from David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office; Robert J. Carroll, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Analysis; Charles O. Rossotti, Carlyle Group, and Thomas S. Neubig, Ernst and Young, LLP, both of Washington, D.C.; David L. Bernard, Kimberly-Clark Corporation, Neenah, Wisconsin, on behalf of the Tax Executives Institute, Inc.; and Jeff Johanneson, RSM McGladrey, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Donald Y. Yamamoto, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.