

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S10051–S10107*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3932–3934, S. Res. 582–584, and S. Con. Res. 118. **Page S10072**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 3879, to implement the Convention on Supplementary Compensation for Nuclear Damage, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 109–346)

S. 2348, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to require a licensee to notify the Atomic Energy Commission, and the State and county in which a facility is located, whenever there is an unplanned release of fission products in excess of allowable limits, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–347)

S. 3771, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide additional authorizations of appropriations for the health centers program under section 330 of such Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10071**

#### Measures Passed:

**Global Family Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 582, urging the people of the United States to observe Global Family Day and One Day of Peace and Sharing. **Page S10099**

**National Youth Court Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 583, designating September 2006 as “National Youth Court Month”. **Page S10100**

**Senate Document Production Authority:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 584, to authorize the production of records, testimony, and legal representation. **Page S10100**

**Drivers’ License Requirement:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 235, expressing the sense of the Congress that States should require candidates for driver’s licenses to demonstrate an ability to exercise greatly increased caution when driving in the proximity of a potentially visually impaired individual, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S10100**

**National Transportation Safety Board Reauthorization Act:** Senate passed S. 3679, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S10100–14**

**Railroad Retirement Technical Improvement Act:** Senate passed H.R. 5074, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 to provide for continued payment of railroad retirement annuities by the Department of the Treasury, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10105**

**Secure Fence Act:** Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 6061, to establish operational control over the international land and maritime borders of the United States, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S10097–98**

#### Withdrawn:

Frist Amendment No. 5031, to establish the effective date. **Page S10097**

#### Pending:

Frist Amendment No. 5036, to establish military commissions. **Page S10097**

Frist Amendment No. 5037 (to Amendment No. 5036), to establish the effective date. **Page S10097**

Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report back forthwith, with an amendment. **Page S10098**

Frist Amendment No. 5038 (to the instructions of the motion to commit H.R. 6061 to the Committee on the Judiciary), to establish military commissions.

Frist Amendment No. 5039 (to the instructions of the motion to commit H.R. 6061 to the Committee on the Judiciary), to establish the effective date. **Page S10098**

Frist Amendment No. 5040 (to Amendment No. 5039), to amend the effective date. **Page S10098**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Frist Amendment No. 5036 (listed above) and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, September 27, 2006. **Page S10097**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a

vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, September 27, 2006. **Pages S10097–98**

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

Frist Amendment No. 5032 (to Amendment No. 5031), to amend the effective date, fell when Frist Amendment No. 5031 (listed above) was withdrawn. **Page S10097**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:45 a.m., on Tuesday, September 26, 2006; provided further, that it be in order to file first degree amendments as provided for under rule XXII until 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 26, 2006. **Page S10105**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 87 yeas (Vote No. EX. 253), Francisco Augusto Besosa, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico. **Pages S10066–67, S10107**

Charles F. Conner, of Indiana, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry was discharged from further consideration). **Pages S10099, S10107**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S10097**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—253) **Page S10067**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 7:15 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, September 26, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10105.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Mary E. Peters, of Arizona, to be Secretary of Transportation.

### HABEAS CORPUS REVIEW

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine proposals to limit Guantanamo detainees' access to habeas corpus review, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant Commander Charles D. Swift, USN, Judge Advocate General Corps; Rear Admiral John D. Hutson, USN (Ret.), Franklin Pierce Law Center, Concord, New Hampshire; Thomas P. Sullivan, Jenner and Block, Chicago, Illinois; and Bruce Fein, Fein and Fein, David B. Rivkin, Jr., Baker and Hostetler, LLP, and Bardford A. Berenson, Sidley Austin, LLP, all of Washington, D.C.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 16 public bills, H.R. 6159–6174; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 97; H. Con. Res. 479–480; and H. Res. 1040 were introduced. **Pages H7348–49**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H7349**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2134, to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of the American Latino Community to develop a plan of

action for the establishment and maintenance of a National Museum of the American Latino Community in Washington, DC, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–584, Pt. 2);

H.R. 4942, to establish a capability and office to promote cooperation between entities of the United States and its allies in the global war on terrorism for the purpose of engaging in cooperative endeavors focused on the research, development, and commercialization of high-priority technologies intended to