

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2119–S2183

Measures Introduced: Twenty-one bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 655–675, and S. Res. 85. **Pages S2164–65**

Measures Reported:

S. 200, to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and the United States Geological Survey, to conduct a study on groundwater resources in the State of Alaska. (S. Rept. No. 110–20)

S. 235, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain buildings and lands of the Yakima Project, Washington, to the Yakima Tieton Irrigation District. (S. Rept. No. 110–21)

S. 263, to amend the Oregon Resource Conservation Act of 1996 to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes River Conservancy. (S. Rept. No. 110–22)

S. 264, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the rehabilitation of the Wallowa Lake Dam in Oregon, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–23)

S. 265, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a water resource feasibility study for the Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins in Oregon. (S. Rept. No. 110–24)

S. 266, to provide for the modification of an amendatory repayment contract between the Secretary of the Interior and the North Unit Irrigation District. (S. Rept. No. 110–25)

S. 220, to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within the A & B Irrigation District in the State of Idaho. (S. Rept. No. 110–26)

S. 275, to establish the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument in the State of New Mexico, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 110–27) **Page S2164**

Iraq Sense of Congress—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 12:00 noon on Saturday, February 17, 2007, Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 574, to express the sense of Con-

gress on Iraq; that the time until 1:45 p.m. be equally divided between the Majority and Republican Leaders, or their designees; that the Republican Leader be in control of the time between 1:25–1:35 p.m., and the Majority Leader be in control of the time between 1:35 p.m.–1:45 p.m.; provided further, that at 1:45 p.m., Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S2182**

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

Land-Based Sources Protocol to Cartagena Convention (Treaty Doc. No. 110–1).

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 S2182**

Appointments:

National Council on the Arts: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Minority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–83, the reappointment of the following Senator to serve as a member of the National Council on the Arts for a term of two years: Senator Bennett. **Page S2182**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki): The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Public Law 94–304, as amended by Public Law 99–7, appointed the following Senators as members of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki) during the 110th Congress: Senators Smith, Chambliss, Burr, and Brownback. **Page S2182**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Eli Whitney Debevoise II, of Maryland, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of two years.

Bijan Rafiekian, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2011.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 7:36 p.m., until 12 noon, on Saturday, February 17, 2007.	

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

PAYING FOR COLLEGE

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine college affordability, focusing on higher education, higher costs and higher student debt, and the Higher Education Act and its amendments, after receiving testimony from Jon H. Oberg, former researcher, Department of Education, Rockville, Maryland; Suze Orman, CNBC, and Tamara Draut, Demos Institute, both of New York, New York; and Sandy Baum, Skidmore College, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the College Board.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 80 public bills, H.R. 1110–1189; and 31 resolutions, H.J. Res. 37; H. Con. Res. 67–74; and H. Res. 172–193 were introduced. **Pages H1891–96**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1896–97**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 700, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to extend the pilot program for alternative water source projects (H. Rept. 110–15);

H.R. 569, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize appropriations for sewer overflow control grants, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–16);

H.R. 584, to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Education in Washington, DC, as the Lyndon Baines Johnson Federal Building, with amendments (H. Rept. 110–17);

H.R. 544, to designate the United States courthouse at South Federal Place in Santa Fe, New Mexico, as the “Santiago E. Campos United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 110–18);

H.R. 478, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 101 Barr Street in Lexington, Kentucky, as the “Scott Reed Federal Building and United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 110–19);

H.R. 399, to designate the United States Courthouse to be constructed in Jackson, Mississippi, as the “R. Jess Brown United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 110–20);

H.R. 430, to designate the United States bankruptcy courthouse located at 271 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York, as the “Conrad Duberstein United States Bankruptcy Courthouse,” with amendments (H. Rept. 110–21); and

H.R. 429, to designate the United States courthouse located at 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York, as the “Hugh L. Carey United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 110–22); and

H.R. 800, to amend the National Labor Relations Act to establish an efficient system to enable employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, and to provide for mandatory injunctions for unfair labor practices during organizing efforts, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–23). **Page H1891**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative McNulty to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H1793**

Disapproving of the decision of the President announced on January 10, 2007, to deploy more than 20,000 additional United States combat troops to Iraq: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 63, to disapprove of the decision of the President announced on January 10, 2007, to deploy more than 20,000 additional United States combat troops to Iraq, by a yea-and-nay vote of 246 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 99. **Pages H1793–1847**

H. Res. 157, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution, was agreed to on Tuesday, February 13.