

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S11535–S

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2051–2058, and S. Con. Res. 45–46. **Pages S11585–86**

Measures Reported:

S. 471, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey to The Missouri River Basin Lewis and Clark Interpretive Trail and Visitor Center Foundation, Inc. certain Federal land associated with the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail in Nebraska, to be used as an historical interpretive site along the trail, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 110–156)

S. 637, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Chattahoochee Trace National Heritage Corridor in Alabama and Georgia, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 110–157)

S. 645, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to provide an alternate sulfur dioxide removal measurement for certain coal gasification project goals. (S. Rept. No. 110–158)

S. 1182, to amend the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 to increase the authorization of appropriations and modify the date on which the authority of the Secretary of the Interior terminates under the Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–159)

S. 1203, to enhance the management of electricity programs at the Department of Energy. (S. Rept. No. 110–160)

S. 1728, to amend the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 to reauthorize the Na Hoa Pili O Kaloko-Honokohau Advisory Commission. (S. Rept. No. 110–161)

H.R. 85, to provide for the establishment of centers to encourage demonstration and commercial application of advanced energy methods and technologies. (S. Rept. No. 110–162)

H.R. 247, to designate a Forest Service trail at Waldo Lake in the Willamette National Forest in the State of Oregon as a national recreation trail in

honor of Jim Weaver, a former Member of the House of Representatives. (S. Rept. No. 110–163)

H.R. 407, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of establishing the Columbia-Pacific National Heritage Area in the States of Washington and Oregon. (S. Rept. No. 110–164)

H.R. 995, to amend Public Law 106–348 to extend the authorization for establishing a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to honor veterans who became disabled while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States. (S. Rept. No. 110–165)

H. Con. Res. 116, expressing the sense of Congress that the National Museum of Wildlife Art, located in Jackson, Wyoming, shall be designated as the “National Museum of Wildlife Art of the United States”. (S. Rept. No. 110–166)

S. 169, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the majority of the trails in the System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–167)

S. 278, to establish a program and criteria for National Heritage Areas in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–168)

S. 289, to establish the Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–169)

S. 443, to establish the Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–170)

S. 444, to establish the South Park National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–171)

S. 647, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–172)

S. 722, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to jointly conduct a study of certain land adjacent to the Walnut Canyon National Monument in the State of Arizona, with an

amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–173)

S. 800, to establish the Niagara Falls National Heritage Area in the State of New York, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–174)

S. 817, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide additional authorizations for certain National Heritage Areas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–175)

S. 838, to authorize funding for eligible joint ventures between United States and Israeli businesses and academic persons, to establish the International Energy Advisory Board, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–176)

S. 955, to establish the Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–177)

S. 1089, to amend the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Act to allow the Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects to hire employees more efficiently, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–178)

S. 1148, to establish the Champlain Quadracentennial Commemoration Commission and the Hudson-Fulton 400th Commemoration Commission, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–179)

H.R. 1100, to revise the boundary of the Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site in the State of North Carolina. (S. Rept. No. 110–180)

H.R. 1126, to reauthorize the Steel and Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1988. (S. Rept. No. 110–181)

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Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 1585, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S11541–69**

Adopted:

Levin/McCain Modified Amendment No. 2174, to provide, with an offset, \$59,041,000 for other procurement for the Army for the General Fund Enterprise Business System of the Army. **Page S11543**

Levin Amendment No. 2175, to modify the requirements on the Defense Science Board Review of the Department of Defense policies and procedures for the acquisition of information technology. **Page S11543**

Levin (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2168, to express the sense of Congress on the procurement program for the KC–X tanker aircraft. **Page S11543**

Levin (for Clinton) Amendment No. 2108, to require a report on the planning and implementation of the policy of the United States towards Darfur. **Pages S11543–44**

Levin (for Hagel) Amendment No. 2015, to provide for additional members on the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council. **Page S11544**

Levin (for Chambliss/Pryor) Amendment No. 2050, to require a report on surveys of patient satisfaction at military treatment facilities. **Page S11544**

Levin (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 2120, to require an additional element in the management plan for the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Fund. **Page S11544**

Levin (for Harkin) Amendment No. 2056, to provide support and assistance for families of members of the Armed Forces who are undergoing deployment. **Page S11544**

Levin (for Sessions/Shelby) Amendment No. 2147, to authorize the Air University to confer additional academic degrees. **Page S11545**

Levin (for Clinton) Amendment No. 2047, to specify additional individuals eligible to transportation for survivors of deceased members of the Armed Forces to attend their burial ceremonies. **Page S11545**

Levin (for Coleman) Amendment No. 2117, to revise the authorized variances on end strengths authorized for Selected Reserve personnel. **Page S11545**

Levin (for McCain) Amendment No. 2190, to designate the positions of Principal Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretaries of the military departments for acquisition matters as critical acquisition positions. **Page S11545**

Levin (for Reed/Collins) Amendment No. 2199, to require a Comptroller General assessment of the Defense Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research. **Page S11545**

Levin (for Gregg/Boxer) Amendment No. 2203, to express the sense of Congress on family care plans and the deployment of members of the Armed Forces who have minor dependents. **Page S11545**

Levin (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 2201, to amend the American Servicemembers' Protection Act of 2002 to repeal the limitations on providing United States military assistance to parties to the International Criminal Court. **Page S11545**

Levin (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 2200, to prescribe that members of the Armed Forces and veterans out of uniform may render the military salute during hoisting, lowering, or passing of the flag. **Page S11546**

Levin (for Gregg) Amendment No. 2112, to require studies on support services for families of members of the Active and Reserve Components who are undergoing deployment. **Page S11546**

Levin (for Voinovich) Amendment No. 2099, to extend the date on which the National Security Personnel System will first apply to certain defense laboratories. **Page S11546**

Levin/McCain Amendment No. 2212, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to provide for the protection of certain individuals. **Pages S11546–47**

Levin (for Clinton/Whitehouse) Amendment No. 2222, to prevent nuclear terrorism. **Pages S11547–48**

Levin (for Warner/Webb) Modified Amendment No. 2230, relative to limitation on assistance to the government of Thailand. **Page S11548**

Levin (for Salazar/Sessions) Modified Amendment No. 2234, to provide authority for Department of Defense to provide support for certain sporting events. **Page S11548**

Levin (for Webb/Warner) Amendment No. 2272, to extend and modify the authorities on Commission to Assess the Threat to the United States from Electromagnetic Pulse Attack. **Page S11548**

Levin (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2220, to authorize the payment of inactive duty training travel costs for certain Selected Reserve members. **Page S11549**

Levin (for Kohl/Warner) Amendment No. 2276, to require a report on the implementation of the green procurement policy of the Department of Defense. **Page S11549**

Levin (for Cornyn/Dole) Amendment No. 2257, to provide that the study on the national security interagency system shall focus on improving interagency cooperation in post-conflict contingency relief and reconstruction operations. **Page S11549**

Levin (for Akaka) Amendment No. 2281, to require a report on the control of the brown tree snake. **Pages S11549–50**

Levin (for McCaskill) Amendment No. 2250, to provide for a review of licensed mental health counselors, social workers, and marriage and family therapists under the TRICARE program. **Page S11550**

Levin (for Menendez) Amendment No. 2254, to require a Department of Defense Inspector General report on physical security of Department of Defense installations. **Page S11550**

Levin (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2268, to provide for an increase in the number of nurses and faculty. **Pages S1150–51 S11557–58**

Levin (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2292, to provide for continuity and efficiency of the depot operations of the Department of Defense to reset combat equipment and vehicles in support of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. **Page S11551**

Levin (for Dole) Amendment No. 2305, to require a report on counternarcotics assistance for the Government of Haiti. **Pages S11551–52**

Levin (for Coleman/Klobuchar) Amendment No. 2216, relating to satisfaction by members of the National Guard and Reserve on active duty of applicable professional licensure and certification requirements. **Page S11552**

Levin (for Biden) Amendment No. 2309, to require a report on the airfield in Abeche, Chad, and other resources needed to provide stability in the Darfur region. **Page S11552**

Levin (for Schumer) Amendment No. 2308, to authorize, with an offset, an additional \$162,800,000 for Drug Interdiction and Counter-Drug Activities, Defense-wide, to combat the growth of poppies in Afghanistan, to eliminate the production and trade of opium and heroin, and to prevent terrorists from using the proceeds for terrorist activities in Afghanistan, Iraq, and elsewhere. **Page S11552**

Levin (for Salazar) Amendment No. 2310, to express the sense of Congress regarding Department of Defense actions to address the encroachment of military installations. **Page S11552**

Levin (for McCaskill/Collins) Amendment No. 2617, to provide further protection for contractor employees from reprisal for disclosure of certain information. **Page S11553**

Levin (for Hatch/Crapo) Amendment No. 2313, to commend the founder and members of Project Compassion. **Page S11553**

Levin (for Chambliss) Amendment No. 2863, to express the sense of the Senate on collaborations between the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs on health care for wounded warriors. **Pages S11553–54**

Levin (for Chambliss) Amendment No. 2282, to establish a National Guard yellow ribbon integration program. **Page S11554**

Levin (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 2210, to modify a reporting requirement. **Pages S11554–55**

Levin (for Cantwell) Amendment No. 2291, to require a report on the search and rescue capabilities of the Air Force in the northwestern United States. **Page S11555**

Levin (for Brown) Amendment No. 2096, to require a comprehensive accounting of the funding required to ensure that the plan for implementing the final recommendations of the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission remains on schedule. **Page S11555**

Levin (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 2315, to authorize a land conveyance at the Lewis and Clark United States Army Reserve Center, Bismarck, North Dakota. **Page S11555**

Levin (for Dodd) Amendment No. 2176, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to review the application of certain authorities under the Defense Production Act of 1950. **Pages S11555–56**

Levin (for Cardin) Amendment No. 2326, to grant a Federal charter to the Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated. **Page S11556**

Levin (for Pryor) Amendment No. 2263, to enhance the availability of rest and recuperation leave. **Page S11556**

Levin (for Chambliss) Amendment No. 2294, to require the Secretary of Defense to submit a plan to ensure the appropriate size of the Department of Defense acquisition workforce. **Pages S11556–57**

Levin Modified Amendment No. 2277, to require a report on water conservation projects. **Page S11557**

Levin (for McConnell) Amendment No. 2862, to authorize to be increased by up to \$49,300,000 the amount authorized to be appropriated for the construction of munitions demilitarization facilities at Blue Grass Army Depot, Kentucky, and Pueblo Chemical Depot, Colorado, and to ensure the timely destruction of lethal chemical agents and munitions. **Page S11557**

Withdrawn:

Levin Amendment No. 2087 (to Amendment No. 2011), to provide for a reduction and transition of United States forces in Iraq. **Pages S11558–59**

Reed Amendment No. 2088 (to Amendment No. 2087), to change the enactment date. **Pages S11558–59**

Dodd (for Levin) Amendment No. 2274 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2011), to provide for a reduction and transition of United States forces in Iraq. **Pages S11558–59**

Levin Amendment No. 2275 (to Amendment No. 2274), to provide for a reduction and transition of United States forces in Iraq. **Pages S11558–59**

Pending:

Nelson (NE) (for Levin) Amendment No. 2011, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S11541**

Levin (for Specter/Leahy) Amendment No. 2022, to restore habeas corpus for those detained by the United States. **Pages S11542–43, S11559**

Warner (for Graham/Kyl) Amendment No. 2064, to strike section 1023, relating to the granting of civil rights to terror suspects. **Pages S11559–69**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Levin (for Specter/Leahy) Amendment No. 2022 (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 19, 2007. **Page S11569**

Rate Payer Recovery Act—Referral Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be discharged from further consideration of S. 2006, to provide for disaster assistance for power transmission and distribution facilities, and the bill then be referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. **Page S11614**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of each of the 18 Iraqi benchmarks, as received during recess of the Senate on September 14, 2007; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–25) **Pages S11576–77**

Petitions and Memorials: **Pages S11577–85**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S11586–88**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S11575–76**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S11603–14**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:12 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 18, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11614.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.