

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1059–1066. **Page S5555**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997, with respect to Burma, as received during an adjournment of the Senate on May 15, 2009; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–19) **Page S5553**

Gensler Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, following disposition of H.R. 627, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and that there be 60 minutes of debate with respect to the nomination, with the time equally divided and controlled between Senators Harkin or Chambliss, or their designees, with Senators Cantwell, Cardin, and Sanders each controlling 5 minutes of the Majority's time; provided that at 2:15 p.m., Senate vote on confirmation thereon; provided further, that upon confirmation of the nomination, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and that the nomination be confirmed. **Pages S5561–62**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Margaret A. Hamburg, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services.

John U. Sepulveda, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Human Resources).

Robert O. Work, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy.

Raymond Edwin Mabus, Jr., of Mississippi, to be Secretary of the Navy.

Rhea S. Suh, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

David B. Sandalow, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (International Affairs and Domestic Policy).

Daniel B. Poneman, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

Neal S. Wolin, of Illinois, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

Jose D. Riojas, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Operations, Security, and Preparedness).

William A. Gunn, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

Roger W. Baker, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology).

Thomas R. Lamont, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Paul N. Stockton, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Andrew Charles Weber, of Virginia, to be Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs.

Charles A. Blanchard, of Arizona, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Zachary J. Lemnios, of Massachusetts, to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering.

Anthony W. Miller, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Education.

Richard G. Newell, of North Carolina, to be Administrator of the Energy Information Administration.

Rosa Gumataotao Rios, of California, to be Treasurer of the United States.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Coast Guard.

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Messages from the House:

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| Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:13 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 19, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of | |

the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5562.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: On Friday, May 15, 2009, committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces: Senators Nelson (FL) (Chair), Byrd, Reed, Nelson (NE), Udall (CO), Begich, Vitter, Sessions, Inhofe, and Graham.

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 2455–2471; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 128; and H. Res. 451–455 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: Pages H5712–13

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 450, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 111–113);

H.R. 855, to elevate the Inspector General of certain Federal entities to an Inspector General appointed pursuant to section 3 of the Inspector General Act of 1978, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–114);

H.R. 2182, to amend the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to provide for enhanced State and local oversight of activities conducted pursuant to such Act (H. Rept. 111–115);

H.R. 626, to provide that 4 of the 12 weeks of parental leave made available to a Federal employee shall be paid leave (H. Rept. 111–116, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 1676, to prevent tobacco smuggling and to ensure the collection of all tobacco taxes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–117).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hirono to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:38 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Congratulating the University of California, Davis, for a century as a premier public research university and one of our Nation's finest institutions of higher education: H. Res. 448, to congratulate the University of California, Davis, for a century as a premier public research university and one of our Nation's finest institutions of higher education;

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Commending the University of Georgia Gymnastics Team for winning the 2009 NCAA National Championship: H. Res. 386, amended, to commend the University of Georgia Gymnastics Team for winning the 2009 NCAA National Championship;

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Congratulating Camp Dudley YMCA of Westport, New York, on the occasion of its 125th anniversary: H. Res. 300, amended, to congratulate Camp Dudley YMCA of Westport, New York, on the occasion of its 125th anniversary, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeand-nay vote of 388 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 267;

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Congratulating Averett University in Danville, Virginia, for 150 years of service and leadership to the United States: H. Res. 347, to congratulate Averett University in Danville, Virginia, for 150 years of service and leadership to the United States;

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Recognizing the importance of the Child and Adult Care Food Program and its positive effect on the lives of low income children and families: H. Res. 442, to recognize the importance of the Child