

Impeachment Trial Committee and Impeachment Rule XI: The Chair, upon the recommendations of the two Leaders, and pursuant to the resolution on the appointment of an impeachment trial committee and Impeachment Rule XI, appointed the following Senators to be members of the committee to receive and report evidence in the impeachment of Judge Samuel B. Kent: Senators McCaskill (Chair), Klobuchar, Whitehouse, Udall (NM), Shaheen, Kaufman, Martinez (Vice-Chairman), DeMint, Barrasso, Wicker, Johanns, and Risch.

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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 13466 of June 26, 2008, with respect to the current existence and risk of the proliferation of weapons-usable fissile material on the Korean Peninsula; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–26)

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Koh Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Harold Koh, to be Legal Advisor of the Department of State.

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

By 65 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 212), 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 nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 25, 2009, and that any time during any adjournment or period of morning business count post-cloture.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

James Legarde Hudson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

John Victor Roos, of California, to be Ambassador to Japan.

James B. Smith, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Routine lists in the Air Force and Army.

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Quorum Calls:

One quorum call was taken today. (Total—2)

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—212)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:55 a.m. and adjourned at 6:46 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 25, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S7023–24.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for fiscal year 2010.

AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2010.

TRANSPARENCY IN HEALTH INSURANCE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine consumer choices and transparency in the health insurance industry, after receiving testimony from Nancy Metcalf, Consumer Reports, Yonkers, New York; Karen Pollitz, Georgetown University Health Policy Institute, Washington, DC; and Wendell Potter, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Colin Scott Cole Fulton, of Maryland, to be

General Counsel, and Paul T. Anastas, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Administrator for the Office of Research and Development, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

IRAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine issues pertaining to Iran, after receiving testimony from Karim Sadjadpour, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Michael Singh and Mehdi Khalaji, both of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, and Suzanne Maloney, Brookings Institution, all of Washington, DC; and Hooman Majd, New York, New York.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Capricia Penavic Marshall, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief of Protocol, and to have the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service, who was introduced by Senator Brown, and Daniel M. Rooney, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Ireland, who was introduced by Senators Specter and Casey, both of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

DIABETES RESEARCH

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine type 1 diabetes research progress, after receiving testimony from Griffin P. Rodgers, Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Mary Tyler Moore, Sugar Ray Leonard, and Nick Jonas, all of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, New York, New York; and Hannah Ryder, Cumberland, Maine, J. Patrick Lacher III, South Glastonbury, Connecticut, Asa Kelly, Charlotte, North Carolina, and Ellen Gould, Nashville, Tennessee, all on behalf of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Children's Congress.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee continued consideration of Affordable Health Choices Act, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Thursday, June 25, 2009.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of A. Thomas McLellan, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy, Alejandro N. Mayorkas, of California, to be Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, and Christopher H. Schroeder, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Veterans Affairs quality management activities, after receiving testimony from Julie A. Watrous, Director, Combined Assessment Program, Office of Healthcare Inspections, John Daigh, Assistant Inspector General for Healthcare, and Victoria Coates, Director, Atlanta Regional Office, all of the Office of Inspector General, Gerald M. Cross, FAAFP, Acting Under Secretary for Health, William E. Duncan, MACP, Associate Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Quality and Safety, Juan A. Morales, Director, Tennessee Valley Healthcare System, Rebecca J. Wiley, Director, Charlie Norwood Medical Center, and Mary D. Berrocal, Director, Miami Health Care System, all of the Department of Veteran Affairs; Thomas Nolan, Institute for Healthcare Improvement, Silver Spring, Maryland; and Robert A. Wise, The Joint Commission, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FOR ELDERLY AND SPECIAL NEEDS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine emergency preparedness, aging and special needs, after receiving testimony from Richard Besser, Director, Coordinating Office for Terrorism Preparedness and Emergency Response, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Timothy Manning, Deputy Administrator, National Preparedness Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; E. Douglas Beach, Florida Secretary on the Emergency Preparedness, Aging, and Special Needs, Department of Elder Affairs, and LuMarie Polivka-West, Florida Health Care Association, both of Tallahassee; and Sandy Markwood, National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, Washington, DC.