

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 3293, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1513–1517, S. Res. 223–224, and S. Con. Res. 35. **Page S8094**

Measures Reported:

S. 252, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the capacity of the Department of Veterans Affairs to recruit and retain nurses and other critical health-care professionals, to improve the provision of health care veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–60)

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Measures Passed:

Authorizing Printing of the Pocket Version of the United States Constitution: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 35, authorizing printing of the pocket version of the United States Constitution. **Page S8099**

National Child Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 223, designating September 2009 as “National Child Awareness Month” to promote awareness of charities benefitting children and youth-serving organizations throughout the United States and recognizing efforts made by these charities and organizations on behalf of children and youth as critical contributions to the future of our Nation.

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Indian Arts and Crafts Amendments Act: Senate passed S. 151, to protect Indian arts and crafts through the improvement of applicable criminal proceedings. **Pages S8100–01**

National Marina Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 215, designating August 8, 2009, as “National Marina Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Korean War Veterans Recognition Act: Senate passed H.R. 2632, to amend title 4, United States Code, to encourage the display of the flag of the United States on National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, clearing the measure for the President.

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Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act: Senate passed S. 1513, to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

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Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3:00 p.m., on Monday, July 27, 2009, Senate begin consideration of H.R. 3183, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and that immediately after the bill is reported, Senator Dorgan be recognized to offer a substitute amendment, the text of which is S. 1436, as reported by the Committee.

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Amendment Modification—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the passage of S. 1390, National Defense Authorization Act, Casey Modified Amendment No. 1516, to provide certain requirements with respect to public-private competitions, be further modified with changes to the instruction line.

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Printing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 1390, National Defense Authorization Act, as passed by the Senate on July 23, 2009, be printed.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Kim N. Wallace, of Texas, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Jonathan Steven Adelstein, of South Dakota, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

William J. Wilkins, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.

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

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

Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury.

Polly Trottenberg, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Anne Elizabeth Derse, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania.

Thelma Melendez de Santa Ana, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

Kenneth H. Merten, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Haiti.

Harry R. Hoglander, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 2011.

Donald Sternoff Beyer, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Switzerland, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Liechtenstein.

John R. Nay, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname.

Vinai K. Thummalappally, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to Belize.

Nicole A. Avant, of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Howard W. Gutman, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Belgium.

Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina.

Deborah A. P. Hersman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2013.

Deborah A. P. Hersman, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term of two years.

Richard A. Lidinsky, Jr., of Maryland, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2012.

Meredith Attwell Baker, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2011.

Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2007.

David H. Thorne, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Italian Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of San Marino.

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Dennis F. Hightower, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce. **Page S8102**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 2:03 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 27, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8102.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.