

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2970–2971, and S. Res. 402. **Page S358**

#### Measures Passed:

**National Data Privacy Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 402, expressing support for the designation of January 28, 2010 as National Data Privacy Day. **Page S359**

**Smith Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, February 1, 2010, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of M. Patricia Smith, of New York, to be Solicitor for the Department of Labor. **Page S359**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:39 a.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 1, 2010. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S359.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 1 public bill, H.R. 4552 and 1 resolution, H. Res. 1049 were introduced. **Page H427**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H427**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 995, a resolution of inquiry requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives all information in the possession of the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to nutrient management of the Illinois River Watershed, Arkansas and Oklahoma, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–407);

H. Res. 983, a resolution requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services, to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of documents, records, and communications in their possession relating to certain agreements regarding health care reform (H. Rept.

111–408); and In the Matter of Representative Fortney “Pete” Stark (H. Rept. 111–409).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Edwards (MD) to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H425**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Dr. Alan Keiran, Office of the Senate Chaplain. **Page H425**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Edwards (MD) to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions on this day. **Page H425**

**The United States Holocaust Memorial Council—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the United States

Holocaust Memorial Council: Representatives Waxman, Giffords, Klein (FL), LaTourette, and Cantor.

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page 425.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 2799 was held at the desk and S. 2968 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D43)

S. 2949, to amend section 1113 of the Social Security Act to provide authority for increased fiscal year 2010 payments for temporary assistance to United States citizens returned from foreign countries, to provide necessary funding to avoid shortfalls in the Medicare cost-sharing program for low-income qualifying individuals. Signed on January 27, 2010. (Public Law 111–127)

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 1 through February 6, 2010

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at approximately 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of M. Patricia Smith, of New York, to be Solicitor for the Department of Labor, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

**Committee on Armed Services:** February 2, to hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011, the Future Years Defense Program, the 2011 Quadrennial Defense Review, and the 2011 Missile

Defense Review; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell” policy, 9 a.m., SD–G50.

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** February 2, to hold hearings to examine prohibiting certain high-risk investment activities by banks and bank holding companies, 2:30 p.m., SD–538.

February 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the implications of the “Volcker Rules” for financial stability, 10 a.m., SD–538.

**Committee on the Budget:** February 2, to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011, 10 a.m., SD–608.

February 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request and revenue proposals for fiscal year 2011, 10 a.m., SD–608.

**Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:** February 4, to hold hearings to examine financial services and products, focusing on the role of the Federal Trade Commission in protecting consumers, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

**Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:** February 2, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Larry Persily, of Alaska, to be Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects, and Patricia A. Hoffman, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

February 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD–366.

**Committee on Environment and Public Works:** February 4, Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health, to hold hearings to examine current science on public exposures to toxic chemicals, 10 a.m., SD–406.

**Committee on Finance:** February 2, to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011, 10 a.m., SD–215.

February 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for health care proposals, 3:30 p.m., SD–215.

February 4, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011, 10 a.m., SD–215.

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** February 2, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Donald E. Booth, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Bisa Williams, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Niger, and Beatrice Wilkinson Welters, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, all of the Department of State, 10:30 a.m., SD–419.

February 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Rosemary Anne DiCarlo, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, and to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and the Deputy

Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, Brooke D. Anderson, of California, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, and to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, Allan J. Katz, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Portuguese Republic, Ian C. Kelly, of Maryland, to be U. S. Representative to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, with the rank of Ambassador, and Judith Ann Stewart Stock, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs, all of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

February 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Scott H. DeLisi, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines, and David Adelman, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, all of the Department of State, 3:30 p.m., SD-419.

February 4, Subcommittee on International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs and International Environmental Protection, to hold hearings to examine Haiti reconstruction, focusing on smart planning moving forward, 3 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* February 2, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Craig Becker, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board, 4 p.m., SD-430.

February 4, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nomination of Craig Becker, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board, and any pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* February 4, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine keeping foreign corruption out of the United States, focusing on four case histories, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* February 4, business meeting to consider S. 1789, to restore fairness to Federal cocaine sentencing, S. 1624, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, to provide protection for medical debt homeowners, to restore bankruptcy protections for individuals experiencing economic distress as caregivers to ill, injured, or disabled family members, and to exempt from means testing debtors whose financial problems were caused by serious medical problems, S. 1765, to amend the Hate Crime Statistics Act to include crimes against the homeless, S. 1554, to amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 to prevent later delinquency and improve the health and well-being of maltreated infants and toddlers through the development of local Court Teams for Maltreated Infants and Toddlers and the creation of a National Court Teams Resource Center to assist such Court Teams, H.R. 1741, to require the Attorney General to make competitive grants to eligi-

ble State, tribal, and local governments to establish and maintain certain protection and witness assistance programs, S. 1132, to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons by law enforcement officers, and the nominations of Edward Milton Chen, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, and Louis B. Butler, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, and Christopher H. Schroeder, of North Carolina, Mary L. Smith, of Illinois, and Dawn Elizabeth Johnsen, of Indiana, all to be an Assistant Attorney General, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 4, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine the Comcast/NBC Universal Merger, focusing on the future of competition and consumers, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* February 2, to hold hearings to examine the Supreme Court's decision to allow unlimited corporate spending in elections, 10 a.m., SR-301.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* February 2, to hold hearings to examine the world wide threat, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

February 4, Full Committee, closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### House Committees

*Committee on Appropriations,* February 3, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Education 1, 10 a.m., and on Economic Development Administration, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

February 3, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Investments in Transportation Improvements: the FY 2011 Budget Request for the Department of Transportation., 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

February 4, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to continue on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Education 2, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services,* February 3, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 3, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on the report of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services, 10 a.m., 210 HVC.

February 4, full Committee, hearing on the 2009 Quadrennial Defense Review, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* February 2, hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* February 3, hearing on Strengthening the Economy and Improving the Lives of American Workers, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* February 4, hearing on Department of Health and Human Services Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 4, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet, hearing entitled “An Examination of the Proposed Combination of Comcast and NBC Universal,” 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, and the Committee on Small Business, joint hearing entitled “Condition of Small Business and the Commercial Real Estate Lending in Local Markets,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, February 3, hearing on Yemen on the Brink: Implications for U.S. Policy, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

February 3, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on America and the Iranian Political Reform Movement: First, Do No Harm, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, February 4, Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight, hearing entitled “Furthering the Mission or Having Fun: Lax Travel Policies Cost DHS Millions,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on House Administration*, February 3, to continue hearings on Review of the Use of Committee Funds in the First Session of the 111th Congress, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

February 3, hearing on Defining the Future of Campaign Finance in an Age of Supreme Court Activism, 1 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, February 3, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on the First Amendment and Campaign Finance After Citizens United, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 4, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on State Taxation: The Role of Congress in Defining Nexus, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, February 4, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on H.R. 4225, To authorize drought assistance adjustments to provide immediate funding for projects and activities that will help alleviate record unemployment and diminished agricultural production related to the drought in California, 10 a.m., 1324 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, February 3, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing entitled “Half Way Home to the District: The Role of Halfway Houses in Reducing Crime and Recidivism in the Nation’s Capitol,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 4, full Committee, oversight hearing entitled “Toyota Gas Pedals: Is the Public At Risk?” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, February 2, to consider H.R. 4061, Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2009, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, February 3, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Key Issues and Challenges Facing NASA: Views of the Agency’s Watchdogs, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 3, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on Passenger Screening R&D: Responding to President Obama’s Call to Develop and Deploy the Next General of Screening Technologies, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 4, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Geoengineering II: The Scientific Basis and Engineering Challenges, 10 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.

February 4, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Strengthening Undergraduate and Graduate STEM Education, 10:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, February 3, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing on FEMA’s Urban Search and Rescue Program in Haiti: How to Apply Lessons Learned at Home, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

February 4, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Update: The Federal Aviation Administration’s Call to Action on Airline Safety and Pilot Training, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, February 3, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on Implementation and Status Update on the Veterans’ Benefits Improvement Act, P.L. 110-389, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

February 3, Subcommittee on Health, hearing to review of VA Contract Health Care: Project HERO, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

February 4, full Committee, hearing on VA’s Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2011 and Fiscal Year 2012, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, February 3, hearing on the President’s Budget for Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, February 3, hearing on the Annual Threat Assessment, Part 1, 9 a.m., and executive, Part II, 210 HVC.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: February 2, to hold hearings to examine Kazakhstan’s leadership of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), 10 a.m., 1100, Longworth Building.

*Joint Economic Committee*: February 5, to hold hearings to examine the employment situation for January 2010, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

2 p.m., Monday, February 1

Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 3 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of M. Patricia Smith, of New York, to be Solicitor for the Department of Labor, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 2

House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** To be announced.

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