

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2135–S2180

Measures Introduced: Three bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3189–3191, and S. Res. 471–475. **Page S2162**

Measures Reported:

S. 2960, to exempt aliens who are admitted as refugees or granted asylum and are employed overseas by the Federal Government from the 1-year physical presence requirement for adjustment of status to that of aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2974, to establish the Return of Talent Program to allow aliens who are legally present in the United States to return temporarily to the country of citizenship of the alien if that country is engaged in post-conflict or natural disaster reconstruction, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Airport and Airway Trust Fund: Senate passed H.R. 4957, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S2151**

Veterans Affairs Health Care: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 3162, to clarify the health care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs that constitutes minimum essential coverage, and the bill was then passed. **Page S2165**

Prevent Deceptive Census Look Alike Mailings Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4621, to protect the integrity of the constitutionally mandated United States census and prohibit deceptive mail practices that attempt to exploit the decennial census, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S2165**

Haiti Debt Relief and Earthquake Recovery Act: Senate passed H.R. 4573, to urge the Secretary of the Treasury to instruct the United States Executive Directors at the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development

Bank, and other multilateral development institutions to use the voice, vote, and influence of the United States to cancel immediately and completely Haiti's debts to such institutions, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Kaufman (for Dodd) Amendment No. 3718, to make technical corrections. **Pages S2165–66**

65th Anniversary of the Blinded Veterans Association: Senate passed H.J. Res. 80, recognizing and honoring the Blinded Veterans Association on its 65th anniversary of representing blinded veterans and their families, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S2166**

80th Anniversary of the Daughters of Penelope: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 117, commemorating the 80th anniversary of the Daughters of Penelope, a preeminent international women's association and affiliate organization of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA), and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S2166**

National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 412, designating September 2010 as "National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month", and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S2166–67**

National Asbestos Awareness Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 427, designating the first week of April 2010 as "National Asbestos Awareness Week", and the resolution was then agreed to, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S2167**

Kaufman (for Baucus) Amendment No. 3719, to amend the preamble. **Page S2167**

University of Southern Mississippi: Senate agreed to S. Res. 471, recognizing The University of Southern Mississippi for 100 years of service and excellence in higher education. **Pages S2167–68**

National Safe Digging Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 472, in recognition and support of National Safe Digging Month. **Page S2168**

National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 473, designating April 4, 2010, as "National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day". **Page S2168**

Parkinson's Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 474, supporting the designation of April as Parkinson's Awareness Month. **Page S2168**

Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 3191, to reauthorize the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004. **Pages S2168–69**

Authorizing Leadership to make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President Pro Tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page S2168**

Authority for Committees—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding an adjournment of the Senate, that Senate Committees may file reported legislative and executive calendar business on Thursday, April 1, 2010, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.. **Page S2168**

Continuing Extension Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4851, to provide a temporary extension of certain programs, at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, April 12, 2010, and that the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill occur at 5:30 p.m., and that the time be equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees, with the Majority Leader controlling the final 15 minutes prior to the vote. **Page S2168**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 257, at 1:49 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 12, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2180.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine U.S. Pacific Command, U.S. Strategic Command, and U.S. Forces Korea in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Admiral Robert F. Willard, U.S. Navy, Commander, U.S. Pacific Command, General Kevin P. Chilton, Commander, United States Strategic Command, and General Walter L. Sharp, Commander, United Nations Command, Commander, Republic of Korea-United States Combined Forces, and Commander, United States Forces Korea, all of the Department of Defense.

House of Representatives

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The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 257.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.