

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3462–3463. **Page S4358**

Measures Reported:

S. 554, to improve the safety of motorcoaches, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–202)

S. Res. 339, to express the sense of the Senate in support of permitting the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

S. 446, to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings. **Page S4358**

House Messages:

American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act: Senate began consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 4213, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4630–42, S4642–50**

Pending:

Baucus motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Baucus Amendment No. 4301 (to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill), in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4630–42, S4642–50**

Sessions/McCaskill Amendment No. 4303 (to Amendment No. 4301), to establish 3-year discretionary spending caps. **Pages S4637–42**

Cardin Amendment No. 4304 (to Amendment No. 4301), to provide for the extension of dependent coverage under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. **Pages S4642–43**

Franken Amendment No. 4311 (to Amendment No. 4301), to establish the Office of the Homeowner Advocate for purposes of addressing problems with the Home Affordable Modification Program. **Pages S4643–48**

Cornyn/Kyl Amendment No. 4302 (to Amendment No. 4301), to increase transparency regarding debt instruments of the United States held by for-

eign governments, to assess the risks to the United States of such holdings. **Pages S4648–50**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill at approximately 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, June 9, 2010. **Page S4706**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages 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 13405 of June 16, 2006, with respect to Belarus; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–59) **Page S4653**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001, with respect to the Western Balkans; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–60) **Page S4653**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Maura Connelly, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon.

Daniel Bennett Smith, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Greece.

Subra Suresh, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Science Foundation for a term of six years.

A routine list in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. **Page S4707**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Paul Steven Miller, of Washington, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2016, which was sent to the Senate on February 1, 2010. **Page S4707**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:10 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 9, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4706.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NEW START TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a closed hearing to examine Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, signed in Prague on April 8, 2010, with Protocol (Treaty Doc.111–05), focusing on the negotiations, after receiving testimony from Rose Gottemoeller, Assistant Secretary of State for Verification and Compliance, and Chief U.S. Negotiator, Post-START Negotiations; and Edward L. Warner III, Secretary of Defense Representative, Post-START Negotiations.

HEZBOLLAH

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the strength of

Hezbollah, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey D. Feltman, Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs, and Daniel Benjamin, Coordinator for Counterterrorism, both of the Department of State; Ryan C. Crocker, Texas A&M University George Bush School of Government and Public Service, College Station; Danielle Pletka, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C.; and Augustus Richard Norton, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts.

AMERICAN CHILDREN

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded a hearing to examine the state of American children, after receiving testimony from Elaine Zimmerman, Connecticut Commission on Children, Hamden; Alma J. Powell, America's Promise Alliance, and Harry J. Holzer, Georgetown University, both of Washington, D.C.; and Jack Lund, YMCA of Greater New York, New York, New York.

BIG OIL BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine big oil business, focusing on if recent court decisions and liability caps encouraged irresponsible corporate behavior, after receiving testimony from W. Jackson Coleman, EnergyNorthAmerica, LLC, Washington, D.C.; Thomas C. Galligan, Jr., Colby-Sawyer College, New London, New Hampshire; and Christopher K. Jones, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 5478–5485; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 284; and H. Res. 1425–1427, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1424, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5072) to improve the financial safety and soundness of the FHA mortgage insurance program, and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 111–503).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Zoe Lofgren to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Title amendment: Agreed by unanimous consent to amend the title of H.R. 5136 so as to read: “To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.”

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

Hoover Power Allocation Act of 2010: H.R. 4349, amended, to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam;

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Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act: H.R. 2008, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project;

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Hob Indian Tribe Safe Homelands Act: H.R. 1061, amended, to transfer certain land to the United States to be held in trust for the Hoh Indian Tribe and to place land into trust for the Hoh Indian Tribe, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 347 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 337; and

Pages H4223–25, H4227

Honoring the life of Jacques-Yves Cousteau: H. Res. 518, amended, to honor the life of Jacques-Yves Cousteau, explorer, researcher, and pioneer in the field of marine conservation, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 354 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 338.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:48 p.m. and reconvened at 6 p.m.

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Presidential Messages: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to the Western Balkans is to continue in effect beyond June 26, 2010—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–118).

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Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency and related measures blocking the property of certain persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Belarus are to continue in effect beyond June 16, 2010—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–119).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4227 and H4227–28. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FHA REFORM ACT OF 2010

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 5072, the “FHA Reform Act of 2010.” The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI. The rule further makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. All points of order against the amendments except those arising under clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI are waived. The

rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that the Chair may entertain a motion that the Committee rise only if offered by the chair of the Committee on Financial Services or a designee. The rule provides that the Chair may not entertain a motion to strike out the enacting words of the bill. The rule authorizes the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules at any time through the legislative day of June 11, 2010. The Speaker or her designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this resolution. Testimony was heard from Chairman Frank and Representatives Cardoza and Capito.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine local perspectives on the Livable Communities Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 3386, to protect consumers from certain aggressive sales tactics on the Internet, S. 1938, to establish a program to reduce injuries and deaths caused by cellphone use and texting while driving, S. 3302, to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish new automobile safety standards, make better motor vehicle safety information available to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the public, S. 3084, to increase the competitiveness of United States businesses, particularly small and medium-sized manufacturing firms, in interstate and global commerce, foster job creation in the United States, and assist United States businesses in developing or expanding commercial activities in interstate and global commerce by expanding the ambit of the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership program and the Technology Innovation Program to include projects that have potential for commercial exploitation in nondomestic markets, providing for an increase in related resources of the Department of Commerce, S. 2847, to regulate the volume of audio on commercials, S. 817, to establish a Salmon Stronghold Partnership program to conserve wild Pacific salmon and for other purposes, S. 1748, to establish a program of research, recovery, and other activities to provide for the recovery of the southern sea otter, the nomination of Carl Wieman, of Colorado, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and a promotion list in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Adminis-

tration Commissioned Corps and the Coast Guard, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine issues related to the Department of the Interior's May 27th report entitled, Increased Safety Measures for Energy Development on the Outer Continental Shelf, including oversight of recent actions recommended by the Department to address the safety of offshore oil development, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 2891, to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, S. 2779 and H.R. 3671, bills to promote Department of the Interior efforts to provide a scientific basis for the management of sediment and nutrient loss in the Upper Mississippi River Basin, S. 3387, to provide for the release of water from the marketable yield pool of water stored in the Ruedi Reservoir for the benefit of endangered fish habitat in the Colorado River, and for other purpose, S. 3404, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to take actions to improve environmental conditions in the vicinity of the Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel in Lake County, Colorado, and H.R. 4252, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the Rialto-Colton Basin in the State of California, 3 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine S. 3305, to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to require oil polluters to pay the full cost of oil spills, 10:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the National Security Personnel System and performance management in the Federal government, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the enforcement of the antitrust laws, 2 p.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research, hearing to review the implementation of the 2008 Farm bill energy title, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing on FY 2011 Budget Request for the FCC, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Interagency National Security Reform: Pragmatic Steps Towards a More Integrated Future, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on the State of the Economy: View from the Federal Reserve, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Promoting the Development of

Antibiotics and Ensuring Judicious Use in Humans,” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, hearing on Women as Agents of Change: Advancing the Role of Women in Politics and Civil Society, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on Collateral Consequences of Criminal Convictions: Barriers to Re-entry for the Formerly Incarcerated, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, hearing on H.R. 4347, Department of the Interior Tribal Self-Governance Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing entitled “Strengthening the National Historical Publications and Records Commission,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Deluge of Oil

Highlights Research and Technology Needs for Effective Cleanup of Oil Spills, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, hearing on Liability and Financial Responsibility for Oil Spills under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 and Related Statutes, 10:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, hearing on the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General’s Open Recommendations: Are We Fixing the Problems? 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 1 p.m., 304–HVC.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the significant challenges faced by journalists and independent media throughout the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) region, focusing on physical threats and violence targeting journalists, including the murder of scores of investigative reporters, 11 a.m., SVC–210/212.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Wednesday, June 9

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, June 9

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 4213, American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act, with rollcall votes expected to occur throughout the day.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 2142—Government Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Performance Improvement Act; (2) H. Res. 1330—Recognizing June 8, 2010, as World Ocean Day; (3) H.R. 5278—The “President Ronald W. Reagan Post Office Building” Designation Act; (4) H.R. 5133—The “Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz Post Office Building” Designation Act; (5) H. Res. 1381—Recognizing the National Museum of American Jewish History, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, as the only museum in the Nation dedicated exclusively to exploring and preserving the American Jewish experience; and (6) H.R. 5026—GRID Act. Consideration of H.R. 5072—FHA Reform Act of 2010 (Subject to a Rule).

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