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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—37) **Page S1491**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:02 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, March 10, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1513.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION FUNDING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine funding for the Social Security Administration in fiscal years 2011 and 2012, after receiving testimony from Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner, Social Security Administration; W. Lee Hammond, AARP, and Marty Ford, Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities, both of Washington, D.C.; and Joe Dirago, National Council of Social Security Management Associations, Inc., Newburgh, New York.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Ken Salazar, Secretary, David Hayes, Deputy Secretary, and Pam K. Haze, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Budget, Finance, Performance and Acquisition, all of the Department of the Interior.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments for the 112th Congress:

Subcommittee on AirLand: Senators Lieberman (Chair), Nelson (NE), McCaskill, Manchin, Gillibrand, Blumenthal, Brown (MA), Inhofe, Sessions, Wicker, and Vitter.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities: Senators Hagan (Chair), Reed, Udall (CO), Manchin, Shaheen, Gillibrand, Portman, Chambliss, Brown (MA), Graham, and Cornyn.

Subcommittee on Personnel: Senators Webb (Chair), Lieberman, Akaka, McCaskill, Hagan, Begich, Blumenthal, Graham, Chambliss, Brown (MA), Ayotte, Collins, and Vitter.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support: Senators McCaskill (Chair), Akaka, Nelson (NE), Webb, Udall (CO), Begich, Manchin, Shaheen, Ayotte, Inhofe, Chambliss, Portman, Collins, Graham, and Cornyn.

Subcommittee on Seapower: Senators Reed (Chair), Akaka, Webb, Hagan, Blumenthal, Wicker, Sessions, Ayotte, and Collins.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces: Senators Nelson (NE) (Chair), Lieberman, Reed, Udall (CO), Begich, Shaheen, Gillibrand, Sessions, Inhofe, Wicker, Portman, Cornyn, and Vitter.

Senators Levin and McCain serve as ex-officio members of all subcommittees.

THE STATE OF THE HOUSING MARKET

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the state of the housing market, after receiving testimony from Susan M. Wachter, University of Pennsylvania Wharton School, Philadelphia; Mark A. Calabria, Cato Institute, and David Crowe, National Association of Home Builders (NAHB), both of Washington, DC; Ron Phipps, National Association of Realtors, Warwick, Rhode Island; and Jeffrey Lubell, Center for Housing Policy, Weybridge, Vermont.

SPENDING IN THE TAX CODE

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine distribution and efficiency of spending in the tax code, after receiving testimony from Robert Greenstein, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Robert S. McIntyre, Citizens for Tax Justice, and Scott Hodge, Tax Foundation, all of Washington, DC.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION BUDGET

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for the Federal Highway Administration, after receiving testimony from Ray LaHood, Secretary of Transportation.

PRESIDENT'S 2011 TRADE AGENDA

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's 2011 trade agenda, after receiving testimony from Ron Kirk, United States Trade Representative.

WASTE AND FRAUD IN MEDICARE AND MEDICAID

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine new tools for curbing waste and fraud in Medicare and Medicaid, after receiving testimony

from Peter Budetti, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Program Integrity, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, and Daniel R. Levinson, Inspector General, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Greg Andres, Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Kathleen M. King, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; and Helen Carson, Delaware Health and Social Services, Wilmington.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Homeland Security, after receiving testimony from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 493, to reauthorize and improve the SBIR and STTR programs, with amendments.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 964–991; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 28–29; and H. Res. 155–159 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page H1666**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Foxx to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1623**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a recorded vote of 326 ayes to 91 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 167.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:04 a.m. for the purpose of receiving The Honorable Julia Gillard, Prime Minister of Australia. The House reconvened at 12:03 p.m., and agreed that the proceedings had during the Joint Meeting be printed in the Record.

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Joint Meeting To Receive The Honorable Julia Gillard, Prime Minister of Australia: The House and Senate met in a joint session to receive The

Honorable Julia Gillard, Prime Minister of Australia. She was escorted into the Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Cantor, McCarthy (CA), Hensarling, Dreier, Ros-Lehtinen, McKeon, Camp, Brady (TX), Manzullo, Pelosi, Hoyer, Clyburn, Larson (CT), Becerra, Berman, Faleomavaega, Lowey and Crowley; and Senators Reid, Durbin, Kerry, Boxer, McConnell, Alexander, Barrasso, and Lugar. **Pages H1624–26**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 155, electing a Member to a Standing Committee of the House of Representatives. **Page H1626**

Emergency Mortgage Relief Program Termination Act—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 151, the rule that provides for consideration of H.R. 836, to rescind the unobligated funding for the Emergency Mortgage Relief Program and to terminate the program, by voice vote after the previous question was ordered without objection. **Pages H1629–35**

FHA Refinance Program Termination Act—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 150, the rule that provides for consideration of H.R. 830, to rescind the unobligated funding for the FHA Refinance Program and to terminate the program, by