

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1041–1050, S.J. Res. 13–14, S. Res. 194–195, and S. Con. Res. 21.

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#### Measures Passed:

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology 150th Anniversary:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 195, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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#### Measures Considered:

**Patriot Sunsets Extension Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1038, to extend the expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 and the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 until June 1, 2015.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 74 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 75), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, May 24, 2011; and that any time during tonight's adjournment count post-cloture.

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**Escort Committee—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort His Excellency Benjamin Netanyahu, Prime Minister of Israel, into the House Chamber for the joint meeting at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 24, 2011.

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**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of an Executive Order to take additional steps with respect to the national emergency originally declared on March 15, 1995 in Executive Order 12957 with respect to Iran; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–9)

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Joyce A. Barr, of Washington, to be Assistant Secretary of State (Administration).

Anne W. Patterson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt.

Claude M. Steele, of New York, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014.

Charles Thomas Massarone, of Kentucky, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

59 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Page S3223**

**Measures Read the First Time:** **Pages S3223, S3245**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S3223–24**

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—75) **Page S3219**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:02 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 24, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of

the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3245.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### PROTECTING CYBERSPACE

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine protecting cyberspace, focusing on assessing the White House proposal, including S. 413, to amend

the Homeland Security Act of 2002 and other laws to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States, after receiving testimony from Philip Reitingger, Deputy Under Secretary of Homeland Security for National Protection and Programs Directorate; Robert J. Butler, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy; Ari Schwartz, Senior Internet Policy Advisor, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and Jason Chipman, Senior Counsel to the Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 21 public bills, H.R. 1932–1952; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 51; and H. Res. 270–273 were introduced. **Pages H3341–43**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H3343–44**

**Reports Filed:** A report was filed on May 17, 2011 as follows:

H.R. 1540, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–78).

A report was filed on May 18, 2011 as follows:

H.R. 1800, to temporarily extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 relating to access to business records and roving wiretaps and to permanently extend expiring provisions of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 relating to individual terrorists as agents of foreign powers (H. Rept. 112–79, Pt. 1).

Reports were filed on May 20, 2011 as follows:

H.R. 802, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a VetStar Award Program, with amendments (H. Rept. 112–80);

H.R. 1383, to temporarily preserve higher rates for tuition and fees for programs of education at non-public institutions of higher learning pursued by individuals enrolled in the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs before the enactment of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Improvements Act of 2010, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–81);

H.R. 1407, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2011, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–82);

H.R. 1484, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the appeals process of the Department of Veterans Affairs and to establish a commission to study judicial review of the determination of veterans' benefits, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–83);

H.R. 1627, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements for the placement of monuments in Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–84, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 1657, to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise the enforcement penalties for misrepresentation of a business concern as a small business concern owned and controlled by veterans or as a small business concern owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans (H. Rept. 112–85).

Reports were filed today as follows:

Supplemental report on H.R. 1540, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–78, Pt. 2);

H. Res. 269, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1216) to amend the Public Health Service Act to convert funding for graduate medical education in qualified teaching health centers from direct appropriations to an authorization of appropriations; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1540) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year