

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4493–S4533

Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1346–1351. **Page S4517**

Measures Considered:

Sense of the Senate Regarding the Budget Deficit—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 1323, to express the sense of the Senate on shared sacrifice in resolving the budget deficit, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 529, to change the enactment date. **Page S4503**

Reid Amendment No. 530 (to Amendment No. 529), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4503**

Reid motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 531, of a perfecting nature. **Page S4503**

Reid Amendment No. 532 (to the instructions (Amendment No. 531) of the motion to commit), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4503**

Reid Amendment No. 533 (to Amendment No. 532), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4503**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 13, 2011; with one hour of debate, equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees, prior to the cloture vote on the bill; provided further, that the filing deadline for all second-degree amendments to the bill be at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, July 13, 2011. **Page S4532**

Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act—Referral Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from further consideration of S. 869, to provide for an exchange of land between the Department of Homeland Security and the South Carolina State Ports Authority, and the bill then be referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. **Page S4532**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Matan Aryeh Koch, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2013.

Stephanie Orlando, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for the remainder of the term expiring September 17, 2011.

Stephanie Orlando, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2014. **Page S4533**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:47 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 13, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4532.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

INVESTOR PROTECTION AFTER THE FINANCIAL CRISIS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine enhanced investor protection after the financial crisis, after receiving testimony from Lynn E. Turner, former Chief Accountant, and Harvey L. Pitt, former Chairman, both of the Securities and Exchange Commission; David Massey, North American Securities Administration Association, Inc., Wilmington, North Carolina; Lynnette Kelly Hotchkiss, Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, Alexandria, Virginia; Paul S. Atkins, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C.; Barbara Roper, Consumer Federation

of America, Pueblo, Colorado; and Anne Simpson, California Public Employees' Retirement System, Sacramento.

GEOTHERMAL AND SOLAR ENERGY BILLS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1160, to improve the administration of the Department of Energy, S. 1108, to provide local communities with tools to make solar permitting more efficient, and S. 1142, to promote the mapping and development of the United States geothermal resources by establishing a direct loan program for high risk geothermal exploration wells, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to improve geothermal energy technology and demonstrate the use of geothermal energy in large scale thermal applications, after receiving testimony from Steven G. Chalk, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy for Renewable Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; Douglas A. Dougherty, The Geothermal Exchange Organization, Springfield, Illinois; and Holly Gordon, SunRun Inc., San Francisco, California.

SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT'S UNREGULATED DRINKING WATER CONTAMINANTS PROGRAM OVERSIGHT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act's Unregulated Drinking Water Contaminants Program, after receiving testimony from David C. Trimble, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; Robert Perciasepe, Deputy Administrator, and Jeffrey K. Griffiths, Chair, Drinking Water Committee, Science Advisory Board, both of the Environmental Protection Agency; Lynn Goldman, George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services, on behalf of the American Public Health Association, Joseph A. Cotruvo, Joseph Cotruvo and Associates, and Steven R. Patierno, George Washington University

Cancer Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; and Anthony Araiza, West Valley Water District, Rialto, California.

NEW TECHNOLOGY AND PRIVATE SECTOR BUSINESS PRACTICES

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine if new technology and private sector business practices can cut waste and fraud in Medicare and Medicaid, focusing on additional actions needed to support program integrity efforts at centers for Medicare and Medicaid, after receiving testimony from Peter Budetti, Deputy Administrator, and Director, Center for Program Integrity, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, and Lewis Morris, Chief Counsel, Office of Inspector General, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Joel C. Willemsen, Managing Director, Information Technology, Government Accountability Office; and Louis Saccoccio, National Health Care Anti-Fraud Association (NHCAA), Boston, Massachusetts.

PENSIONS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine pensions, focusing on building a strong middle class and strong economy, after receiving testimony from Diane Oakley, National Institute on Retirement Security, and David Marchick, Carlyle Group, both of Washington, D.C.; Christopher T. Stephen, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Arlington, Virginia; and Edmond P. Bertheaud, Jr., DuPont Company, Wilmington, Delaware, on behalf of the American Benefits Council.

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

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 2496–2507 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1062, to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to repeal certain additional disclosure requirements, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–142);