

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7421–S7585

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1861–1875, and S. Res. 323. **Pages S7451–52**

Measures Reported:

S. 899, to provide for the eradication and control of nutria, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 112–94)

H.R. 1059, to protect the safety of judges by extending the authority of the Judicial Conference to redact sensitive information contained in their financial disclosure reports, with an amendment.

S. 1867, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 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. **Page S7451**

Measures Passed:

National Information and Referral Services Day: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 241, expressing support for the designation of November 16, 2011, as National Information and Referral Services Day, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S7583–84**

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Welfare Program 75th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 323, recognizing the 75th Anniversary of the Welfare Program of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and the significant impact of the Welfare Program in the United States and throughout the world in helping people in need. **Pages S7584–85**

Measures Considered:

Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2354, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, after withdrawing the committee reported

substitute amendment, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7432–44**
Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 957, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7433–34**

Reid Amendment No. 958 (to Amendment No. 957), to change the enactment date. **Page S7434**

Reid Amendment No. 959 (to Amendment No. 958), of a perfecting nature. **Page S7434**

Reid Amendment No. 960 (to language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 957), to change the enactment date. **Page S7434**

Reid Amendment No. 961 (to Amendment No. 960), of a perfecting nature. **Page S7434**

Reid Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 962, to change the enactment date. **Page S7434**

Reid Amendment No. 963 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 962), of a perfecting nature. **Page S7434**

Reid Amendment No. 964 (to Amendment No. 963), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S7434–35**

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

Chair sustained a point of order against Reid Amendment No. 956, in the nature of a substitute, as being in violation of rule XVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S7432–33**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Wednesday, November 16, 2011. **Page S7585**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 87 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. Ex. 206), Sharon L. Gleason, of Alaska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska. **Pages S7425–31, S7585**

By 89 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. Ex. 207), Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California. **Pages S7425–31, S7585**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Deborah J. Jeffrey, of the District of Columbia, to be Inspector General, Corporation for National and Community Service.

Mark J. Mazur, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. **Page S7585**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—207) **Page S7431**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7585.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

IRAQ

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine security issues relating to Iraq, after receiving testimony from Leon E. Panetta, Secretary, and General Martin E. Dempsey, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense; Brett H. McGurk, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York; and Douglas A. Ollivant, New America Foundation, and Kenneth M. Pollack, Brookings Institution, both of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled, "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012".

FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY OVERSIGHT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Housing Finance Agency, including S. 1834, to restore and repair the United States

mortgage markets by making them transparent, bringing in private capital, winding down the Government-sponsored enterprises, after receiving testimony from Edward J. DeMarco, Acting Director, Federal Housing Finance Agency.

FINANCIAL SECURITY ISSUES

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection concluded a hearing to examine financial security issues facing older Americans, after receiving testimony from Hubert H. Humphrey III, Assistant Director, Office for Older Americans, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; and Julie Nepveu, AARP, Washington, D.C.

FISCAL POLICY

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the economic effects of fiscal policy choices, after receiving testimony from Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Rebecca M. Blank, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce, and Jon D. Leibowitz, of Maryland, who was introduced by Senator Kohl, and Maureen K. Ohlhausen, of Virginia, both to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

QUADRENNIAL TECHNOLOGY REVIEW

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Energy's Quadrennial Technology Review (QTR), and S. 1703, to amend the Department of Energy Organization Act to require a Quadrennial Energy Review, and S. 1807, to amend the Federal Non-nuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 to provide for the prioritization, coordination, and streamlining of energy research, development, and demonstration programs to meet current and future energy needs, after receiving testimony from Senator Pryor; Steven E. Koonin, Under Secretary of Energy for Science; and Ernest J. Moniz, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Energy Initiative, Cambridge.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Roslyn Ann Mazer, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, after the nominee, who was introduced by