

Reid motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 2526, to change the enactment date. **Page S4932**

Reid Amendment No. 2527 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2526), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 2528 (to Amendment No. 2527), of a perfecting nature. **Page S4932**

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

Reid Amendment No. 2525 (to Amendment No. 2524), to change the enactment date, fell when Reid Amendment No. 2524 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2521) was tabled.

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By 57 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 176), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Reid (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 2521. **Page S4938**

By 53 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 177), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Page S4938**

Subsequently, the bill was returned to the calendar. **Page S4938**

McNulty Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 5 p.m., on Monday, July 16, 2012, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Kevin McNulty, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey; that there be 30 minutes for debate equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nomination; and that no further motions be in order. **Page S4942**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mark A. Barnett, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

Angela Tammy Dickinson, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri for the term of four years.

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—177) **Pages S4936, S4938**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:32 a.m. and adjourned at 5:48 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 16, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4982.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

MEDICATION AND PERFORMANCE ENHANCING DRUGS IN HORSE RACING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine medication and performance enhancing drugs in horse racing, after receiving testimony from Barry Irwin, Team Valor International, Versailles, Kentucky; Kent H. Stirling, National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, and Edward J. Martin, Association of Racing Commissioners International, both of Lexington, Kentucky; Jeffrey Gural, Newmark Grubb Knight Frank, and James Gagliano, The Jockey Club, both of New York, New York; Matthew Witman, American Quarter Horse Association, Guthrie, Oklahoma; Marc S. Paulhus, Humane Society of the United States, Hendersonville, North Carolina; and Sheila Lyons, American College of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation, Brockton, Massachusetts.

NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE—ALASKA

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine remediation of Federal legacy wells in the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska, after receiving testimony from Bud Cribley, State Director, Alaska, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and Alaska State Representative Charisse Millett, and Cathy Foerster, Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, both of Anchorage.

LEAD'S IMPACTS ON CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the latest science on lead's impacts on children's development and public health, after receiving testimony from Christopher Portier, Director, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control

and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Department of Health and Human Services; and John Vandenberg, National Center for Environmental Assessment, Office of Research and Development, Environmental Protection Agency.

CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Treaty Doc. 112–7), after receiving testimony from Senators McCain and Harkin; Judith Heumann, Special Adviser for International Disability Rights, Department of State; Eve Hill, Senior Counselor to the Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights, and John L. Wodatch, former Chief, Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division, and Dick Thornburgh, former Attorney General of the United States, both of Washington, D.C., all of the Department of Justice; Steven Groves, Heritage Foundation Margaret Thatcher Center for Freedom, and John Lancaster, National Council on Independent Living, both of Washington, D.C.; and Michael Farris, Patrick Henry College, Purcellville, Virginia.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the future of Homeland Security, focusing on the evolution of the Homeland Security Department's roles and missions, after receiving testimony from former Representative Jane Harman, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C.; and Thad W. Allen, Admiral, United States Coast Guard (Ret.), McLean, Virginia, and Richard L. Skinner, former Inspector General, Alexandria, Virginia, both of the Department of Homeland Security.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Stephen Crawford, of Maryland, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Cardin, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

POSITIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine creating positive learning environments for all students, after receiving testimony from Daniel Crimmins, Georgia State University Institute of Public Health Center

for Leadership in Disability, Atlanta, Georgia; Cyndi Pitonyak, Montgomery County Public Schools, Christiansburg, Virginia; Michael George, Centennial School of Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; and Debbie Jackson, Easton, Pennsylvania.

FEDERAL RECOGNITION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Federal recognition, focusing on political and legal relationship between governments, after receiving testimony from Senator Jim Webb; Bryan Newland, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Stephen R. Adkins, Chickahominy Indian Tribe, Charles City, Virginia; Paul Brooks, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, Pembroke; Jon Norwood, Task Force on Federal Acknowledgment of the National Congress of American Indians, and Michael J. Anderson, Anderson Indian Law, both of Washington, D.C.; and K. Jerome Gottschalk, Native American Rights Fund, Boulder, Colorado, on behalf of the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1744, to provide funding for State courts to assess and improve the handling of proceedings relating to adult guardianship and conservatorship, to authorize the Attorney General to carry out a pilot program for the conduct of background checks on individuals to be appointed as guardians or conservators, and to promote the widespread adoption of information technology to better monitor, report, and audit conservatorships of protected persons, with amendments; and

The nominations of Terrence G. Berg, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, Jesus G. Bernal, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Lorna G. Schofield, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Danny Chappelle Williams, Sr., to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma, Department of Justice.

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.