

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5239–S5264

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3416–3423 and S. Res. 524. **Page S5257**

Measures Reported:

S. 1039, to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–191) **Page S5257**

Measures Considered:

Middle Class Tax Cut Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3412, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families. **Pages S5239–44**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, July 25, 2012. **Page S5244**

Appointments:

Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader and the Republican Leader, pursuant to the Public Law 110–298, reappointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: Richard Gardner of Nevada. **Page S5264**

State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader and the Republican Leader, pursuant to the Public Law 110–298, appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of

Bravery Board: Mike Hettich of Kentucky, vice Nick DiMarco of Ohio. **Page S5264**

Moment of Silence—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 3:40 p.m., on Tuesday, July 24, 2012, Senate observe a moment of silence in memory of Officer Jacob J. Chestnut and Detective John M. Gibson of the United States Capitol Police who were killed 14 years ago in the line of duty defending this Capitol, the people who work here, and its visitors against an armed intruder. **Page S5264**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency originally declared in Executive Order 13536 on April 12, 2010 with respect to Somalia, received during adjournment of the Senate July 20, 2012; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–58) **Pages S5256–57**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 91 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. EX. 182), Michael A. Shipp, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey. **Pages S5244–51, S5264**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination, be withdrawn. **Page S5244**

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Measures Referred: **Page S5257**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Pages S5257, S5264**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S5255–56**

Amendments Submitted: **Page S5263**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—182) **Page S5251**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:20 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 24, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5264.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: On Friday, July 20, 2012, Committee con-

cluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Walter M. Shaub, Jr., of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics, who was introduced by Representative Moran, and Rainey Ransom Brandt, and Kimberley Sherri Knowles, both to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, both introduced by Delegate Holmes Norton, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 4 public bills, H.R. 6164–6167 were introduced. **Page H5130**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5130–31**

Reports Filed: A report was filed on July 20, 2012 as follows:

H.R. 6082, to officially replace, within the 60-day Congressional review period under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, President Obama's Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil & Gas Leasing Program (2012–2017) with a congressional plan that will conduct additional oil and natural gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development, job creation, and increased domestic energy production to ensure a more secure energy future in the United States, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–615).

A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 748, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4078) to provide that no agency may take any significant regulatory action until the unemployment rate is equal to or less than 6.0 percent, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6082) to officially replace, within the 60-day Congressional review period under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, President Obama's Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil & Gas Leasing Program (2012–2017) with a congressional plan that will conduct additional oil and natural gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development, job creation, and increased domestic energy production to ensure

a more secure energy future in the United States, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–616).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harris to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5081**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H5082**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Andrew Walton, Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, Washington, DC. **Page H5082**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:13 p.m. and reconvened at 3:31 p.m. **Page H5083**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Providing for a land exchange with the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California: H.R. 1237, amended, to provide for a land exchange with the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving the transfer of land to the Bureau of Land Management and the Six Rivers National Forest in exchange for National Forest System land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest; **Pages H5083–85**

Y Mountain Access Enhancement Act: H.R. 4484, amended, to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of National Forest System land in the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Utah to Brigham Young University; **Pages H5085–86**

Naming the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge Visitor Contact Station of the Jamaica Bay Wildlife