

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5691–S5803

Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3459–3464, S.J. Res. 48, and S. Res. 534. **Page S5732**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs During the 111th Congress”. (S. Rept. No. 112–193)

S. 641, to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005. (S. Rept. No. 112–194)

H.R. 1560, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe.

S. 792, to authorize the waiver of certain debts relating to assistance provided to individuals and households since 2005, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 3410, to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006. **Page S5731**

Measures Passed:

Honoring Oswaldo Paya Sardinias: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 525, honoring the life and legacy of Oswaldo Paya Sardinias, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S5802–03**

Lieberman (for Nelson (FL)) Amendment No. 2740, to condemn the Government of Cuba for the detention of nearly 50 pro-democracy activists following the memorial service for Oswaldo Paya Sardinias. **Page S5802**

Measures Considered:

Cybersecurity Act—Cloture: Senate continued consideration of S. 3414, to enhance the security and re-

siliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States, after taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S5694–S5705, S5705–24**

Pending:

Reid (for Lieberman) Amendment No. 2731, of a perfecting nature. **Page S5724**

Reid (for Franken) Amendment No. 2732 (to Amendment No. 2731), of a perfecting nature. **Page S5724**

Reid Amendment No. 2733 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2731), of a perfecting nature. **Page S5724**

Reid Amendment No. 2734 (to Amendment No. 2733), of a perfecting nature. **Page S5724**

Reid motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 2735, to change the enactment date. **Page S5724**

Reid Amendment No. 2736 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2735), of a perfecting nature. **Page S5724**

Reid Amendment No. 2737 (to Amendment No. 2736), of a perfecting nature. **Page S5724**

A motion was entered to close further debate on 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 Thursday, August 2, 2012. **Page S5724**

Veterans Jobs Corps Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3429, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps. **Pages S5724–25**

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–60) **Pages S5730–31**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Report to accompany Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Treaty Doc. 112–7) (Ex. Rept. 112–6). **Page S5731**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Eric J. Jolly, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 2016.

Susana Torruella Leval, of New York, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 2015.

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:14 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 1, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5803.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year 2013.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1956, to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1980, to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through port State measures;

S. 2279, to amend the R.M.S. Titanic Maritime Memorial Act of 1986 to provide additional protection for the R.M.S. Titanic and its wreck site;

S. 2388, to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3410, to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006;

The nominations of William P. Doyle, of Pennsylvania, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, Michael Peter Huerta, of the District of Columbia, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, Patricia K. Falcone, of California, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President; and

A promotion list in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Corps.

RURAL WATER PROJECTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 3385, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects, after receiving testimony from Senator Baucus; Michael L. Connor, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Bruce Sunchild, Sr., Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Box Elder, Montana; Gayla Brumfield, Eastern New Mexico Water Utility Authority, Albuquerque; Troy Larson, Lewis and Clark Regional Water System, Tea, South Dakota; and Nathan Bracken, Western States Water Council, Murray, Utah.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of James B. Cunningham, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, and Richard G. Olson, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, both of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

DOING BUSINESS IN LATIN AMERICA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs concluded a hearing to examine doing business in Latin America, focusing on positive trends but serious challenges, after receiving testimony from Francisco Sanchez, Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade; Matthew M. Rooney, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State; and Eric Farnsworth, Council of the Americas, and Jodi Bond, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, both of Washington, D.C.