

February 22, 2013, until 2 p.m., on Monday, February 25, 2013, unless the Senate adopts an adjournment resolution pursuant to the previous order and that if the Senate adopts such a resolution, Senate adjourn until 2 p.m., on Monday, February 25, 2013.

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Hagel Nomination: Senate continued consideration of the nomination of Charles Timothy Hagel, of Nebraska, to be Secretary of Defense.

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

By 58 yeas to 40 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 21), 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 nomination.

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Subsequently, Senator Reid entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the nomination.

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Bacharach Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 5 p.m., on Monday, February 25, 2013, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Robert E. Bacharach, of Oklahoma, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit; that there be 30 minutes for debate, equally divided in the usual form; that upon 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.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—21)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:57 p.m., until 12 p.m. on Friday, February 15, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S790.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 113th Congress and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Commodities, Markets, Trade and Risk Management: Senators Donnelly (Chair), Baucus, Heitkamp, Harkin, Brown, Gillibrand, Chambliss, Roberts, Boozman, Hoeven, and Johanns.

Subcommittee on Jobs, Rural Economic Growth and Energy Innovation: Senators Heitkamp (Chair), Brown, Klobuchar, Bennet, Donnelly, Cowan, Johanns, Hoeven, Grassley, Thune, and Boozman.

Subcommittee on Conservation, Forestry and Natural Resources: Senators Bennet (Chair), Harkin, Klobuchar, Leahy, Baucus, Heitkamp, Boozman, McConnell, Chambliss, Thune, and Roberts.

Subcommittee on Nutrition, Specialty Crops, Food and Agriculture Research: Senators Cowan (Chair), Leahy, Harkin, Brown, Gillibrand, Bennet, Hoeven, McConnell, Chambliss, Grassley, and Thune.

Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, Poultry, Marketing and Agriculture Security: Senators Gillibrand (Chair), Leahy, Baucus, Klobuchar, Donnelly, Cowan, Roberts, McConnell, Boozman, Johanns, and Grassley.

Senators Stabenow and Cochran are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

ECONOMICS OF DISASTERS FOR AMERICA'S AGRICULTURE PRODUCERS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine drought, fire, and freeze, focusing on the economics of disasters for America's agricultural producers, after receiving testimony from Roger S. Pulwarty, National Integrated Drought Information System, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Joseph Glauber, Chief Economist, Department of Agriculture; Leon LaSalle, LaSalle Ranch Incorporated, Havre, Montana; Angie Steinbarger, Edinburg, Indiana; Jeff Send, Leelanau, Michigan; and Ben Steffen, Humboldt, Nebraska.

IMPACTS OF SEQUESTRATION

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the impacts of sequestration, after receiving testimony from Daniel I. Werfel, Controller, Office of Management and Budget; Arne Duncan, Secretary of Education; Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security; Shaun Donovan,

Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; and Ashton B. Carter, Deputy Secretary of Defense.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of General Lloyd J. Austin III, USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Central Command, and General David M. Rodriguez, USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Africa Command, both of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

WALL STREET REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Wall Street reform, focusing on oversight of financial stability and consumer and investor protections, after receiving testimony from Mary J. Miller, Under Secretary, and Thomas J. Curry, Comptroller of the Currency, both of the Department of the Treasury; Daniel K. Tarullo, Governor, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Martin J. Gruenberg, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Richard Cordray, Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; Elisse B. Walter, Chairman, United States Securities and Exchange Commission; and Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 113th Congress and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Senators Baucus (Chair), Carper, Lautenberg, Cardin, Sanders, Udall (NM), Gillibrand, Barrasso, Inhofe, Sessions, Crapo, Wicker, and Fischer.

Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety: Senators Carper (Chair), Baucus, Cardin, Sanders, Whitehouse, Udall (NM), Sessions, Barrasso, Crapo, Wicker, and Boozman.

Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife: Senators Cardin (Chair), Carper, Lautenberg, Whitehouse, Merkley, Gillibrand, Boozman, Inhofe, Barrasso, Sessions, and Fischer.

Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health: Senators Udall (NM) (Chair), Baucus, Lautenberg, Merkley, Gillibrand, Crapo, Inhofe, Wicker, and Fischer.

Subcommittee on Green Jobs and the New Economy: Senators Merkley (Chair), Carper, Sanders, Wicker, and Sessions.

Subcommittee on Oversight: Senators Whitehouse (Chair), Baucus, Lautenberg, Inhofe, and Boozman.

Senators Boxer and Vitter are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGES

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine health insurance exchanges, focusing on a progress report, after receiving testimony from Gary Cohen, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Don Hughes, Health Care Policy Advisor to the Governor and Arizona Exchange Executive Director, Phoenix; Christine Ferguson, Rhode Island Health Benefits Exchange Director, Providence; and Bettina Twardy Riveros, Advisor to the Governor and Chair of the Delaware Health Care Commission, Wilmington.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 298, to prevent nuclear proliferation in North Korea, with amendments.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments for the 113th Congress:

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations: Senators Levin (Chair), Pryor, Landrieu, McCaskill, Tester, Baldwin, Heitkamp, McCain, Johnson (WI), Portman, Paul, and Ayotte.

Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight: Senators McCaskill (Chair), Levin, Pryor, Landrieu, Begich, Baldwin, Johnson (WI), McCain, Enzi, and Ayotte.

Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce: Senators Tester (Chair), Pryor, McCaskill, Begich, Baldwin, Heitkamp, Portman, Johnson (WI), Paul, and Enzi.

Subcommittee on Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia: Senators Begich (Chair), Levin, Pryor, Landrieu, Tester, Heitkamp, Paul, McCain, Portman, and Enzi.

Senators Levin and Coburn are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Caitlin Joan Halligan, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Patty Shwartz, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Pamela Ki Mai Chen,

to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Katherine Polk Failla, and Analisa Torres, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Andrew Patrick Gordon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, Ketanji Brown Jackson, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Raymond P. Moore, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, Troy L. Nunley, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, Beverly Reid O'Connell, to be United States

District Judge for the Central District of California, Derrick Kahala Watson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii, and Mark A. Barnett, of Virginia, and Claire R. Kelly, of New York, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

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

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 59 public bills, H.R. 625, 683–740; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 29–31; and H. Res. 69–71 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Collins (NY) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:03 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:22 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

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Eliminating the 2013 statutory pay adjustment for Federal employees—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 66, the rule that is providing for consideration of H.R. 273, to eliminate the 2013 statutory pay adjustment for Federal employees, by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 42, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 229 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 41.

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A point of order was raised against the consideration of H. Res. 66 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by voice vote.

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Joint Economic Committee—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Joint Economic Committee: Representatives Campbell, Duffy, Amash, Paulsen, Hanna, Loretta Sanchez, Cummings, and Delaney.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H528–29. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “National Nuclear Administration (NNSA), Weapons Activities Budget”. Testimony was heard from Neile Miller, Acting Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration; Don Cook, Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration; and Col. James Dawkins, Deputy Administrator for Military Application, National Nuclear Security Administration.

STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs held a hearing entitled “Embassy Security”. Testimony was heard from Patrick Kennedy, Under Secretary of Secretary for Management, Department of State. This was a closed hearing.

BUILDING PARTNERSHIP CAPACITY PROGRAMS AND AUTHORITIES TO MEET 21ST CENTURY CHALLENGES

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Framework for Building Partnership Capacity Programs and Authorities to Meet 21st Century Challenges”. Testimony was heard