

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2697–S2774*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 745–757, S. Res. 101, and S. Con. Res. 13. **Page S2749**

#### Measures Reported:

S. Res. 65, strongly supporting the full implementation of United States and international sanctions on Iran and urging the President to continue to strengthen enforcement of sanctions legislation, with an amendment.

S. Res. 90, standing with the people of Kenya following their national and local elections on March 4, 2013, and urging a peaceful and credible resolution of electoral disputes in the courts, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble. **Page S2748**

#### Measures Passed:

*Condemning the Attacks in Boston, Massachusetts:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 101, condemning the horrific attacks in Boston, Massachusetts, and expressing support, sympathy, and prayers for those impacted by this tragedy. **Page S2729**

*John Arthur “Jack” Johnson:* Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 5, expressing the sense of Congress that John Arthur “Jack” Johnson should receive a posthumous pardon for the racially motivated conviction in 1913 that diminished the athletic, cultural, and historic significance of Jack Johnson and unduly tarnished his reputation, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S2773–74**

#### Measures Considered:

**Safe Communities, Safe Schools Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of S. 649, to ensure that all individuals who should be prohibited from buying a firearm are listed in the national instant criminal background check system and require a background check for every firearm sale, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2699–S2729, S2729–44**

#### Rejected:

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By 54 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 97), Manchin Amendment No. 715, to protect Second Amendment rights, ensure that all individuals who should be prohibited from buying a firearm are listed in the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, and provide a responsible and consistent background check process. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to. Subsequently, Senator Reid entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which Manchin Amendment No. 715, (listed above), was not agreed to.)

**Pages S2699, S2709, S2729–30, S2739–40**

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 98), Grassley Amendment No. 725, to address gun violence, improve the availability of records to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, address mental illness in the criminal justice system, and end straw purchases and trafficking of illegal firearms. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

**Pages S2721–24, S2733–38, S2740**

By 58 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 99), Leahy Amendment No. 713, to increase public safety by punishing and deterring firearms trafficking. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

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By 57 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 100), Cornyn/Vitter Amendment No. 719, to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

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By 40 yeas to 60 nays (Vote No. 101), Feinstein Amendment No. 711, to regulate assault weapons, to ensure that the right to keep and bear arms is not unlimited. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

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By 56 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 102), Burr Amendment No. 720, to protect the Second Amendment rights of veterans and their families. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

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By 46 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 103), Blumenthal (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 714, to regulate large capacity ammunition feeding devices. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

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Pending:

Barrasso Amendment No. 717, to withhold 5 percent of Community Oriented Policing Services program Federal funding from States and local governments that release sensitive and confidential information on law-abiding gun owners and victims of domestic violence.

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Harkin Amendment No. 730, to reauthorize and improve programs related to mental health and substance use disorders.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following Leader remarks at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 18, 2013, Senate continue consideration of the bill; that the time until 12 noon be equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees, for debate on Barrasso Amendment No. 717 (listed above) and Harkin Amendment No. 730 (listed above); that at 12 noon, Senate vote on or in relation to Barrasso Amendment No. 717 and Harkin Amendment No. 730, in that order, with all other provisions of the previous order of Tuesday, April 16, 2013 remaining in effect.

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Appointments:

*Congressional Advisory Panel on the Governance of the Nuclear Security Enterprise:* The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Section 3166 of Public Law 112–239, the appointment of the following individual to be a member of the Congressional Advisory Panel on the Governance of the Nuclear Security Enterprise: Gregory B. Jaczko of the District of Columbia.

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**Torres and Watson Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 18, 2013, Senate begin consideration of the nominations of Analisa Torres, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Derrick Kahala Watson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii, that there be 15 minutes

for debate, equally divided in the usual form prior to votes on confirmation of the nominations in the order listed; and that no further motions be in order to the nominations.

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Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—103)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:45 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 18, 2013. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S2774.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2014 for the National Guard and Reserve, after receiving testimony from General Frank J. Grass, Chief, National Guard Bureau, Lieutenant General William E. Ingram, Jr., Director, Army National Guard, Lieutenant General Stanley E. Clarke III, Director, Air National Guard, Lieutenant General Jeffrey W. Talley, Chief of the U.S. Army Reserve, Vice Admiral Robin R. Braun, U.S. Navy, Chief of Navy Reserve, Lieutenant General Steven A. Hummer, Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Reserve, and Lieutenant General James F. Jackson, Chief of Air Force Reserve, all of the Department of Defense.

### APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal