

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2909–S2980

Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 793–809, S. Res. 109–114, and S. Con. Res. 15.

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Measures Passed:

National Safe Digging Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 111, supporting the goals and ideals of National Safe Digging Month. **Page S2979**

Biochemical Attack on April 16, 2013: Senate agreed to S. Res. 112, commending employees of the Senate Post Office, employees of the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate, members of the Capitol Police, and members of the Capitol Hill community for their courage and professionalism following the biochemical attack against the Senate on April 16, 2013. **Page S2979**

National Adopt a Library Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 113, designating April 23, 2013 as “National Adopt a Library Day”. **Page S2979**

Authorizing testimony, documents, and representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 114, to authorize testimony, documents, and representation in United States v. Renzi, et al. **Page S2979**

Measures Considered:

Marketplace Fairness Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of S. 743, to restore States’ sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2925–55**

Pending:

Reid (for Enzi) Amendment No. 741, of a perfecting nature. **Pages S2926–28**

Durbin Amendment No. 745 (to Amendment No. 741), to change the enactment date. **Page S2928**

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 Friday, April 26, 2013. **Page S2927**

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

By 74 yeas to 23 nays (Vote No. 110), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S2925**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following morning business, on Thursday, April 25, 2013, Senate recess for one hour to allow for a Senators-only briefing; and that when the Senate reconvenes, Senate continue consideration of the bill. **Page S2980**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2013 National Drug Control Strategy; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (PM–8) **Page S2958**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. EX. 108), Jane Kelly, of Iowa, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit. **Pages S2914–25, S2980**

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. EX. 109), Sylvia Mathews Burwell, of West Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget. **Pages S2914–25, S2980**

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Measures Referred: **Page S2958**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Pages S2909, S2958**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—110) **Page S2925**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:34 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 25, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2980.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2014 for the Environmental Protection Agency, after receiving testimony from Bob Perciasepe, Acting Administrator, and Maryann Froehlich, Acting Chief Financial Officer, both of the Environmental Protection Agency.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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 year 2014 for the Department of Health and Human Services, after receiving testimony from Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2014 for the Department of the Navy, after receiving testimony from Ray Maybus, Secretary, Admiral Jonathan Greenert, Chief of Naval Operations, and General James F. Amos, Commandant of the Marine Corps, all of the Department of the Navy, Department of Defense.

APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2014 for the National Nuclear Security Administration, after receiving testimony from Neile L. Miller, Acting Undersecretary of Energy for Nuclear Security and Acting Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel committee concluded a hearing to examine the Active, Guard, Reserve, and civilian personnel programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2014 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Thomas R. Lamont, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Juan M. Garcia, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Daniel B. Ginsberg, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Lieutenant General Howard B. Bromberg, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, Vice Admiral Scott R. Van Buskirk, USN, Chief of Naval Personnel, and Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Lieutenant General Robert E. Milstead, Jr., USMC, Deputy Commandant, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, and Lieutenant General Darrell D. Jones, Deputy Chief of Staff, Manpower, Personnel and Services, United States Air Force, all of the Department of Defense.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded a hearing to examine military space programs and views on Department of Defense usage of the electromagnetic spectrum in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2014 and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on facing challenges to ensure investments are optimized, and preliminary findings on Federal relocation costs and auction revenues, after receiving testimony from Douglas L. Loverro, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Space Policy, John A. Zangardi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Information Operations and Space, General William L. Shelton, Commander, Air Force Space Command, Lieutenant General Richard P. Formica, USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, and Army Forces Strategic Command, Major General Robert E. Wheeler, Deputy Chief Information Officer for Command, Control, Communications, and Computers (C4) and Information Infrastructure (DCIO for C4IIC), all of the Department of Defense; Christina T. Chaplain, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, and Mark L. Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, both of the Government Accountability Office; and Christopher Guttman-McCabe, CTIA—The Wireless Association, Washington, D.C.