

Pending:

Leahy/Hatch Amendment No. 1183, to encourage and facilitate international participation in the performing arts. **Page S4546**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the following amendments be in order to be called up and that they not be subject to modification or division, with the exception of the technical modifications to the Merkley and Paul amendments contained in this agreement: Manchin Amendment No. 1268; Pryor Amendment No. 1298; Merkley Modified Amendment No. 1237; Boxer Amendment No. 1240; Reed Amendment No. 1224; Cornyn Amendment No. 1251; Lee Amendment No. 1208; Paul Modified Amendment No. 1200; Heller Amendment No. 1227; and Cruz Amendment No. 1320; that no second-degree amendments be in order to any of these amendments prior to votes on or in relation to the amendments.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 19, 2013. **Page S4620**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—153) **Pages S4558–59**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:42 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 19, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4620.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AND RELATED AGENCIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Admin-

istration, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for agriculture programs for fiscal year 2014.

APPROPRIATIONS: MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies for fiscal year 2014.

REVERSE MORTGAGE LOANS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation and Community Development concluded a hearing to examine long term sustainability for reverse mortgages, focusing on the Home Equity Conversion Mortgage's (HECM) impact on the mutual mortgage insurance fund, including S. 469, to assist the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in stabilizing the Home Equity Conversion Mortgage program, after receiving testimony from Lori A. Trawinski, AARP Public Policy Institute, West Paterson, New Jersey; Odette Williamson, National Consumer Law Center, Hyde Park, Massachusetts; Ramsey L. Alwin, National Council on Aging, Kennebunkport, Maine; and Peter H. Bell, National Reverse Mortgage Lenders Association, Washington, DC.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2014 for education, after receiving testimony from Arne Duncan, Secretary of Education.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Thomas Edgar Wheeler, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 28, 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, with amendments;

S. 155, to designate a mountain in the State of Alaska as Denali;

S. 159, to designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances in Lyon County, Nevada, with amendments;

S. 255, to withdraw certain Federal land and interests in that land from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws and disposition under the mineral and geothermal leasing laws, with an amendment;

S. 285, to designate the Valles Caldera National Preserve as a unit of the National Park System, with an amendment;

S. 327, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements with State foresters authorizing State foresters to provide certain forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration and protection services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 340, to provide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 341, to designate certain lands in San Miguel, Ouray, and San Juan Counties, Colorado, as wilderness, with amendments;

S. 353, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, to make additional wild and scenic river designations in the State of Oregon, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 360, to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to expand the authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service opportunities for young Americans; help restore the nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational and scenic resources; train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts; and promote the value of public service, with amendments;

S. 486, to authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access in Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 783, to amend the Helium Act to improve helium stewardship, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

HEALTH CARE COSTS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine health care costs, after receiving testimony from Steven Brill, TIME Magazine, New York, New York; Suzanne F. Delbanco, Catalyst for Payment Reform, and Giovanni, Colella, Castlight

Health, Inc., both of San Francisco, California; and Paul B. Ginsburg, Center for Studying Health System Change, and National Institute for Health Care Reform, Washington, D.C.

DEMOCRATIC REFORM AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY IN ZIMBABWE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs concluded a hearing to examine prospects for democratic reform and economic recovery in Zimbabwe, after receiving testimony from Donald Yamamoto, Acting Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of African Affairs; Earl Gast, Assistant Administrator for Africa, United States Agency for International Development; and Dewa Mavhinga, Human Rights Watch, Mark L. Schneider, International Crisis Group, and Todd J. Moss, Center for Global Development, all of Washington, D.C.

UNITED STATES-MEXICO SECURITY RELATIONSHIP

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere and Global Narcotics Affairs concluded a hearing to examine security cooperation in Mexico, focusing on the next steps in the United States-Mexico security relationship, after receiving testimony from Roberta S. Jacobson, Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs, and William R. Brownfield, Assistant Secretary for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, both of the Department of State; Mark Feierstein, Assistant Administrator for Latin America and the Caribbean, United States Agency for International Development; Shannon K. O'Neil, Council on Foreign Relations, and Nik Steinberg, Human Rights Watch, both of New York, New York; and Duncan Wood, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Mexico Institute, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Administrator of General Services, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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.