

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S5675–S5689*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1294–1296, and S. Res. 195. **Page S5687**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 363, to expand geothermal production. (S. Rept. No. 113–72)

S. 659, to reauthorize the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 113–73)

S. 684, to amend the Mni Wiconi Project Act of 1988 to facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 113–74)

S. 693, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the City of Hermiston, Oregon, water recycling and reuse project, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 113–75)

S.J. Res. 12, to consent to certain amendments enacted by the legislature of the State of Hawaii to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920. (S. Rept. No. 113–76) **Pages S5686–87**

#### Measures Passed:

*Authorizing Testimony and Representation:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 195, to authorize testimony and representation in the Matter of the Proposed Discipline of Laura Block Lower. **Pages S5688–89**

#### Measures Considered:

**Keep Student Loans Affordable Act:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1238, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the current reduced interest rate for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans for 1 year, to modify required distribution rules for pension plans. **Page S5675**

**Motion to Instruct the Sergeant at Arms:** By 69 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. 172), Senate agreed to the motion to instruct the Sergeant at Arms to request the attendance of absent Senators. **Page S5684**

#### Appointments:

*World War I Centennial Commission:* The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 112–272, appointed the following individual to be a member of the World War I Centennial Commission:

Edwin Fountain of Virginia vice Philip Peckman of Nevada. **Page S5689**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Rhonda K. Schmidlein, of Missouri, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for a term expiring December 16, 2021.

Gregory Dainard Winfree, of New York, to be Administrator of the Research and Innovative Technology Administration, Department of Transportation.

A routine list in the Army.

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#### Additional Cosponsors:

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#### Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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#### Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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#### Privileges of the Floor:

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#### Quorum Calls:

One quorum call was taken today. (Total—2)

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—172) **Page S5684**

**Recess:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and recessed at 6:07 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 16, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5689.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### STRATEGIC SOURCING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine strategic sourcing, focusing on how improved and