

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S7143–S7170*

#### Measures Passed:

**U.S. Government Employees in Iraq:** Senate passed H.R. 3233, to extend the period during which Iraqis who were employed by the United States Government in Iraq may be granted special immigrant status and to temporarily increase the fee or surcharge for processing machine-readable non-immigrant visas. **Page S7149**

**Authorizing Reporting of Committee Funding Resolutions:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 228, authorizing the reporting of committee funding resolutions for the period October 1, 2013, through February 28, 2015. **Page S7170**

**Authorizing Expenditures by Committees of the Senate:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 253, authorizing expenditures by committees of the Senate for the periods October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2014, and October 1, 2014, through February 28, 2015. **Page S7170**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S7167**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 4:15 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Friday, October 4, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7170.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### SITUATION IN SYRIA

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee received a closed briefing on the situation in Syria from Robert S. Ford, Ambassador to Syria, and Thomas M. Countryman, Assistant Secretary for International Security and Nonproliferation, both of the Department of State; and James N. Miller, Under Secretary for Policy, and Admiral James A. Winnefeld, Jr., Vice Chairman, and Rear Admiral Paul B. Becker, Director for Intelligence, both of the USN, Joint Chiefs of Staff, all of the Department of Defense.

#### REVERSING IRAN'S NUCLEAR PROGRAM

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine reversing Iran's nuclear program, after receiving testimony from Wendy Sherman, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs; and James F. Jeffrey, The Washington Institute for Near East Policy, David Albright, Institute for Science and International Security, and Ray Takeyh, Council on Foreign Relations, all of Washington, D.C.

#### NOMINATIONS

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of James Walter Brewster, Jr., of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Dominican Republic, who was introduced by Senator Durbin, Brian A. Nichols, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Peru, who was introduced by Senators Reed and Whitehouse, and Carlos Roberto Moreno, of California, to be Ambassador to Belize, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 4 public bills, H.R. 3239–3242, and 13 resolutions, H.J. Res. 75–87, were introduced. **Page H6223**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H6225**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 371, providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 75) making continuing appropriations for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules; waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–242). **Page H6223**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harper to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6177**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:50 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H6188**

**Pay Our Guard and Reserve Act:** The House passed H.R. 3230, making continuing appropriations during a Government shutdown to provide pay and allowances to members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces who perform inactive-duty training during such period, by a yea-and-nay vote of 265 yeas to 160 nays, Roll No. 516.

**Pages H6193–H6200**

Agreed to table the appeal of the ruling of the chair on a point of order sustained against the Enyart motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 515. **Pages H6199–H6200**

H. Res. 370, the rule providing for consideration of the joint resolutions (H.J. Res. 70), (H.J. Res. 71), (H.J. Res. 72), and (H.J. Res. 73) and the bill (H.R. 3230) was agreed to yesterday, October 2nd.

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:22 p.m. and reconvened at 3:30 p.m. **Page H6203**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in honor of those injured today during the incident near the Capitol. **Page H6203**

**Veterans Benefits Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2014:** The House passed H.J. Res. 72, making continuing appropriations for veterans bene-

fits for fiscal year 2014, by a recorded vote of 259 yeas to 157 nays, Roll No. 518.

**Pages H6200–03, H6203–10**

Agreed to table the appeal of the ruling of the chair on a point of order sustained against the Duckworth motion to recommit the joint resolution to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 517. **Pages H6208–09**

H. Res. 370, the rule providing for consideration of the joint resolutions (H.J. Res. 70), (H.J. Res. 71), (H.J. Res. 72), and (H.J. Res. 73) and the bill (H.R. 3230) was agreed to yesterday, October 2nd.

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow, October 4th. **Page H6210**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 6:58 p.m. and reconvened at 8:38 p.m. **Page H6222**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6188.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6199–H6200, H6200, H6208–09, and H6209–10. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **AL-SHABAAB: HOW GREAT A THREAT?**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Al-Shabaab: How Great a Threat?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulations held a hearing on the following legislation: H.R. 3188, to expedite the planning and implementation of salvage timber sales as part of Forest Service and Department of the Interior restoration and rehabilitation activities for lands within the Stanislaus National Forest and Yosemite National park and Bureau of Land management lands adversely impacted by the 2013 Rim Fire in California; H.R. 298, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to evaluate the significance of the Mill Springs Battlefield located in Pulaski and Wayne Counties, Kentucky, and the feasibility of its inclusion in the

National Park System, and for other purposes; H.R. 1167, the “Restoring Storey County Act”; H.R. 1259, the “Coltsville National Historical Park Act”; H.R. 1633, the “Small Lands Tracts Conveyance Act”; H.R. 1846, the “Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site Amendments Act”; H.R. 2015, the “Las Vegas Valley Public Land and Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument Act of 2013”; H.R. 2259, the “North Fork Watershed Protection Act of 2013”; H.R. 2657, the “Disposal of Excess Federal Lands Act of 2013”; and H.R. 2954, to authorize Escambia County, Florida, to convey certain property that was formerly part of Santa Rosa Island National Monument and that was conveyed to Escambia County subject to restrictions on use and reconveyance. Testimony was heard from Chairman Rogers (KY); and Representatives Larson (CT); Velázquez; Chaffetz; and Miller (FL); Pedro Segarra, Mayor, City of Hartford, CT; John Anderson, Councilman, Whitefish, MT; Pat Whitten, County Manager, Storey County, NV; John Lee, Mayor, City of Las Vegas, NV; Steve Ross, Councilman, City of Las Vegas, NV; and public witnesses.

*Committee on Rules:* The Committee, granted, by record vote of 9–4, closed rules for: H.J. Res. 75, the “Nutrition Assistance for Low-Income Women and Children Act”; H.J. Res. 76, the “Nuclear Weapons Security and Non-Proliferation Act”; H.J. Res. 77, the “Food and Drug Safety Act”; H.J. Res. 78, the “Preserving Our Intelligence Capabilities Act”; H.J. Res. 79, the “Border Safety and Security Act”; H.J. Res. 80, the “American Indian and Alaska Native, Health, Education, and Safety Act”; H.J. Res. 82, the “National Weather Monitoring Act”; H.J. Res. 83, the “Impact Aid for Local Schools Act”; H.J. Res. 84, the “Head Start for Low-Income Children Act”; H.J. Res. 85, the “National Emergency and Disaster Recovery Act”; and H.R. 3223, the “Federal Employee Retroactive Pay Fairness Act”. The rule provides 40 minutes of debate on each joint resolution equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of each joint resolution and provides that each joint resolution shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in each joint resolution. The rule provides one motion to recommit each joint resolution. In Section 3, the rule provides a closed rule for H.R. 3223. The rule provides 40 minutes of debate equally divided and controlled by

the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. In Section 4, the rule waives clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against any resolution reported from the Rules Committee through the legislative day of October 21, 2013. In Section 5, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time through the calendar day of October 20, 2013, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules and that the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or her designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this section. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wolf, Kingston, and Moran.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

*(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D897)*

H.R. 1412, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring authorities affecting veterans and their families. Signed on September 30, 2013. (Public Law 113–37)

H.R. 3092, to amend the Missing Children’s Assistance Act. Signed on September 30, 2013. (Public Law 113–38)

H.R. 3210, making continuing appropriations for military pay in the event of a Government shutdown. Signed on September 30, 2013. (Public Law 113–39)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2013

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10:30 a.m., Friday, October 4

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Friday, October 4

## Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will be in a period of morning business for debate only until 2 p.m.

## House Chamber

Program for Friday: To be announced.

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