

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1594–1610, and S. Res. 276. **Pages S7615–16**

Measures Passed:

National Bison Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 254, designating November 2, 2013, as “National Bison Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S7634**

National Work and Family Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 276, designating October 2013 as “National Work and Family Month”. **Page S7634**

Measures Considered:

Debt Limit Authority: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 26, relating to the disapproval of the President’s exercise of authority to suspend the debt limit, as submitted under section 1002(b) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014 on October 17, 2013. **Pages S7585–95, S7595**

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

By 45 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 220), Senate rejected the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution. **Page S7595**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 222), Richard F. Griffin, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for a term of four years. **Pages S7595–S7608, S7635**

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

By 62 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 221), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S7596**

Thomas Edgar Wheeler, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2013.

Michael P. O’Rielly, of New York, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2014. **Pages S7634, S7635**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—222) **Pages S7595, S7596, S7608**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:30 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 30, 2013. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S7635.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HOUSING FINANCE REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine housing finance reform, focusing on the essentials of a functioning housing finance system for consumers, including S. 1217, to provide secondary mortgage market reform, after receiving testimony from Eric Stein, Center for Responsible Lending, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Rohit Gupta, Genworth Financial, Valley, North Carolina; Gary Thomas, National Association of Realtors, Mission Viejo, California; Laurence E. Platt, K&L Gates LLP, and Lautaro Lot