

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that during the adjournment or recess of the Senate from Friday, December 20, 2013, through Monday, January 6, 2014, the Majority Leader, and Senators Warner and Rockefeller be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions. **Page S9115**

Pro Forma—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate adjourn, and convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business conducted on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session, unless the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives that it has adopted S. Con. Res. 30, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives: Tuesday, December 24, 2013 at 12 noon; Friday, December 27, 2013 at 12 noon; Tuesday, December 31, 2013 at 12 noon; and Friday, January 3, 2014 at 11:45 a.m.; and that when the Senate adjourns on Friday, January 3, 2014, it stand adjourned until 2 p.m., on Monday, January 6, 2014; and that if the Senate receives a message that the House of Representatives has adopted S. Con. Res. 30, Senate adjourn until Friday, January 3, 2014 at 11:45 a.m., for a pro forma session only, with no business conducted, and that following the pro forma session, Senate adjourn until 2 p.m., on Monday, January 6, 2014. **Page S9115**

Yellen Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Janet L. Yellen, of California, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. **Pages S9080–81**

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

By 59 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 291), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S9082–83**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 3 p.m., on Monday, January 6, 2014, Senate resume consideration of the nomination, with the time until 5:30 p.m. equally divided and controlled in the usual form prior to a vote on confirmation of the nomination. **Page S9116**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 54 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 286), Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security. **Pages S9072–79, S9116**

By 59 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. EX. 288), John Andrew Koskinen, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue. **Pages S9080, S9081–82, S9116**

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

By 56 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 287), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S9079–80, S9081**

By 68 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. EX. 290), Brian J. Davis, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida. **Pages S9082, S9116**

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

By 56 yeas to 36 nays, 2 responding present (Vote No. 289), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S9082**

19 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

9 Army nominations in the rank of general.

8 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.) **Pages S9111, S9116–17**

4 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy. **Pages S9110–11, S9116–17**

Measures Referred: **Page S9099**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Pages S9099, S9115**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S9105–06**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S9098–99**

Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—291) **Pages S9079, S9081, S9082, S9083**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 2:10 p.m., until 12 p.m. on Tuesday, December 24, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9116.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: On Thursday, December 19, 2013, Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security: Senators Cantwell (Chair), Boxer, Nelson, Pryor, Klobuchar, Warner, Begich, Schatz, Booker, Ayotte,

Wicker, Blunt, Rubio, Heller, Scott, Cruz, Fischer, and Johnson (WI).

Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet: Senators Pryor (Chair), Boxer, Nelson, Cantwell, McCaskill, Klobuchar, Warner, Begich, Blumenthal, Schatz, Markey, Booker, Wicker, Blunt, Rubio, Ayotte, Heller, Coats, Scott, Cruz, Fischer, and Johnson (WI).

Subcommittee on Competitiveness, Innovation, and Export Promotion: Senators Blumenthal (Chair), Pryor, Klobuchar, Warner, Begich, Markey, Scott, Blunt, Coats, Fischer, and Johnson (WI).

Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance: Senators McCaskill (Chair), Boxer, Pryor, Klobuchar, Blumenthal, Schatz, Booker, Heller, Blunt, Ayotte, Coats, Cruz, and Fischer.

Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard: Senators Begich (Chair), Nelson, Cantwell, Blumenthal, Schatz, Markey, Booker, Rubio, Wicker, Ayotte, Coats, Scott, and Cruz.

Subcommittee on Science and Space: Senators Nelson (Chair), Boxer, Pryor, Klobuchar, Warner, Blumenthal, Markey, Cruz, Wicker, Rubio, Heller, Coats, and Johnson (WI).

Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security: Senators Warner (Chair), Boxer, Cantwell, Pryor, McCaskill, Klobuchar, Begich, Blumenthal, Schatz, Markey, Booker, Blunt, Wicker, Rubio, Ayotte, Heller, Coats, Scott, Cruz, Fischer, and Johnson (WI).

Senators Rockefeller and Thune are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet in pro forma session at 10 a.m. on Monday, December 23.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.