

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1285–S1327*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2078–2085, S.J. Res. 33, and S. Res. 370–375. **Page S1315**

#### Measures Passed:

***Biosecurity and Agro-Defense:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 373, recognizing the importance of biosecurity and agro-defense in the United States. **Page S1326**

***World Wildlife Day:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 374, designating March 3, 2014, as “World Wildlife Day”. **Page S1326**

#### Measures Considered:

**Child Care and Development Block Grant Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1086, to reauthorize and improve the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990. **Pages S1285–88**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, with the concurrence of the Republican Leader, Senate begin consideration of S. 1086, to reauthorize and improve the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990; provided further, that the cloture motion filed on Thursday, February 27, 2014, with respect to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, be withdrawn. **Page S1305**

**Military Sexual Assault—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that upon disposition of the nomination of John Roth, of Michigan, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, Senate execute the previous order with respect to S. 1752, to reform procedures for determinations to proceed to trial by court-martial for certain offenses under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, and S. 1917, to provide for additional enhancements of the sexual assault prevention and response activities of the Armed Forces. **Page S1327**

**Adegbile Nomination:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Debo P. Adegbile, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General. **Pages S1288–95**

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

By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 48), Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S1295**

Subsequently, Senator Reid entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the nomination. **Page S1295**

**Gottemoeller Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Rose Eilene Gottemoeller, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security. **Pages S1304–05**

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

By 55 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 57), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S1304**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that following morning business on Thursday, March 6, 2014, the time until 11:20 a.m. be equally divided between the Majority Leader and the Republican Leader, or their designees; that at 11:20 a.m. on Thursday, March 6, 2014, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Rose Eilene Gottemoeller, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security; that following disposition of the Gottemoeller nomination, Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations of Suzanne Eleanor Spaulding, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary, Department of Homeland Security, and John Roth, of Michigan, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, that there be two minutes for debate prior to each vote, equally divided in the usual form, and that all after the first vote be ten minutes in length; and that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations. **Pages S1304–05**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. EX. 50), Pedro A. Delgado Hernandez, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico. **Pages S1296, S1300–02, S1327**

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

By 57 yeas to 41 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 49), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S1295–96**

By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. EX. 52), Pamela L. Reeves, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee. **Pages S1302, S1327**

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

By 62 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 51), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S1302**

By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. EX. 54), Timothy L. Brooks, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas. **Pages S1302, S1327**

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

By 59 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 53), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S1302–03**

By 58 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 56), Vince Girdhari Chhabria, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California. **Pages S1304, S1327**

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

By 57 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 55), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S1303–04**

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**Record Votes:** Ten record votes were taken today. (Total—57) **Pages S1295–96, S1301–04**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 6, 2014. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S1327.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE LAUNCH PROGRAMS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine national security space launch programs, after receiving testimony from Cristina Chaplain, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office; Michael Gass, United Launch Alliance, Centennial, Colorado; Elon Musk, Space Exploration Technologies, Hawthorne, California; and Scott Pace, George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs Space Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.

### DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2015 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Charles T. Hagel, Secretary, General Martin E. Dempsey, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Robert F. Hale, Under Secretary, Comptroller, all of the Department of Defense.

### DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded a hearing to examine nuclear forces and policies in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2015 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from M. Elaine Bunn, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Nuclear and Missile Defense Policy, Lieutenant General Stephen W. Wilson, USAF, Commander, Air Force Global Strike Command, Major General Garrett Harencak, USAF, Assistant Chief of Staff, Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration, and Vice Admiral Terry J. Benedict, USN, Director, Strategic Systems Programs, all of the Department of Defense.

### PRESIDENT’S PROPOSED BUDGET REQUEST

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2015, after receiving testimony from Sylvia M. Burwell, Director, Office of Management and Budget.