

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2291–2295, and S. Res. 438–439. **Page S2718**

Measures Reported:

S. 1611, to require certain agencies to conduct assessments of data centers and develop data center consolidation and optimization plans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–157) **Page S2718**

Measures Passed:

Condemning the Abduction of Female Students in Nigeria: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 433, condemning the abduction of female students by armed militants from the Government Girls Secondary School in the northeastern province of Borno in the Federal Republic of Nigeria, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S2699–S2700**

The Regulation of the Height of Buildings in the District of Columbia: Senate passed H.R. 4192, to amend the Act entitled “An Act to regulate the height of buildings in the District of Columbia” to clarify the rules of the District of Columbia regarding human occupancy of penthouses above the top story of the building upon which the penthouse is placed. **Page S2740**

National Charter Schools Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 438, congratulating the students, parents, teachers, and administrators of charter schools across the United States for their ongoing contributions to education, and supporting the ideals and goals of the 15th annual National Charter Schools Week, to be held May 4 through May 10, 2014. **Page S2740**

National Safe Digging Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 439, supporting the goals and ideals of National Safe Digging Month. **Page S2740**

Measures Considered:

Energy Savings and Industrial Competitiveness Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2262,

to promote energy savings in residential buildings and industry.

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

By 79 yeas to 20 nays (Vote No. 131), 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 motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S2690–91**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 7, 2014; and that the time during adjournment count post-cloture. **Page S2740**

Talwani Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Indira Talwani, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts. **Page S2684**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, May 8, 2014. **Page S2684**

Peterson Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of James D. Peterson, of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin. **Page S2684**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Indira Talwani, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts. **Pages S2684–85**

Rosenstengel Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Nancy J. Rosenstengel, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois. **Page S2685**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition

of the nomination of James D. Peterson, of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin. **Page S2685**

Rosenbaum Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Robin S. Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit. **Page S2685**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Nancy J. Rosenstengel, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois. **Page S2685**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—131) **Pages S2690–91**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:16 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2740.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

MILITARY COMPENSATION PROPOSALS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Department of Defense proposals relating to military compensation, after receiving testimony from General Martin E. Dempsey, USA, Chairman, and Admiral James A. Winnefeld, Jr., USN, Vice Chairman, both of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Raymond T. Odierno, USA, Chief of Staff of the Army, Admiral Jonathan W. Greenert, USN, Chief of Naval Operations, General Mark A. Welsh, III, USAF, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, General James F. Amos, USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps, and General Frank J. Grass, ARNG, Chief of the National Guard Bureau, all of the Department of Defense; General Gordon R. Sullivan, USA (Ret.), Association of the United States Army, and General Craig R. McKinley, USAF (Ret.), Air

Force Association, both of Arlington, Virginia; and General John H. Tilelli, Jr., USA (Ret.), Military Officers Association of America, and Vice Admiral John B. Totushek, USN (Ret.), Association of the United States Navy, both of Alexandria, Virginia.

EDUCATION BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2015 for education, after receiving testimony from Arne Duncan, Secretary, and Thomas Skelly, Acting Chief Financial Officer, both of the Department of Education.

HIGHWAY AND TRANSIT FUNDING AND FINANCING

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine new routes for funding and financing highways and transit, after receiving testimony from Senator Boxer; Joseph Kile, Assistant Director for Microeconomic Studies, Congressional Budget Office; Aubrey L. Layne, Jr., Virginia Secretary of Transportation, Richmond; Jayan Dhru, Standard and Poor's Rating Services, and Samara Barend, AECOM Capital, both of New York, New York; and Chris Edwards, Cato Institute, Washington, DC.

UKRAINE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Ukraine, focusing on countering Russian intervention and supporting a democratic state, after receiving testimony from Victoria Nuland, Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs; Daniel L. Glaser, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorist Financing; Evelyn Farkas, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Russia, Ukraine, and Eurasia; and Angela E. Stent, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, and David J. Kramer, Freedom House, both of Washington, DC.

EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce concluded a hearing to examine a more efficient and effective government, focusing on cultivating the Federal workforce, after receiving testimony from Katherine Archuleta, Director, Office of Personnel Management; Carol Waller Pope, Chairman, Federal Labor Relations Authority; Jeri L. Buchholz, Assistant Administrator for Human Capital Management, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Paige Hinkle-Bowles, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Civilian Personnel Policy; and J. David Cox, Sr., American Federation of Government Employees, AFL–CIO, Colleen M. Kelley, National