

The Protocol Amending the Tax Convention with Spain (Treaty Doc. No. 113–4). The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Pages S2823–24**

Talwani, Peterson, Rosenstengel, Hamamoto, Rosenbaum, Mitchell, and Croley Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding Rule XXII, at 11:15 a.m., on Thursday, May 8, 2014, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nominations of Indira Talwani, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, James D. Peterson, of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, and Nancy J. Rosenstengel, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, and vote on confirmation of the nomination of Pamela K. Hamamoto, of Hawaii, to be Representative to the Office of the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva, with the rank of Ambassador; that if cloture is invoked on the nominations of Indira Talwani, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, James D. Peterson, of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, and Nancy J. Rosenstengel, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, all post-cloture time be considered expired and at 1:45 p.m., Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the order listed; that following disposition of the nomination of Nancy J. Rosenstengel, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Robin S. Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, and vote on confirmation of the nomination of Theodore Reed Mitchell, of California, to be Under Secretary of Education, that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Robin S. Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, all post-cloture time be considered expired and at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, May 12, 2014, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Robin S. Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit; that upon disposition of the nomination of Robin S. Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Steven Croley, of Michigan, to be General Counsel of the Department of Energy; that there be two minutes for debate prior to each vote, equally divided in the usual form, that any roll call

votes, following the first in each series, be ten minutes in length; and that no further motions be in order to the nominations. **Page S2780**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy. **Pages S2824–29**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—133) **Page S2768**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:40 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 8, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2824.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the 2014 Farm Bill, focusing on implementation and next steps, after receiving testimony from Thomas Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2015 for the Department of Health and Human Services, after receiving testimony from Thomas Frieden, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mary K. Wakefield, Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration, Mark Greenberg, Acting Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families, and Tim Love, Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, all of the Department of Health and Human Services.

INVESTING IN CYBERSECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security concluded a hearing to examine investing in cybersecurity, focusing on understanding risks and building capabilities for the future, after receiving testimony from Phyllis Schneck, Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Peter Edge, Executive Associate Director, Homeland Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and William Noonan, Deputy Special Agent in Charge, Criminal Investigative Division, Secret Service, all of the Department of Homeland Security; Jonathan Katz, University of Maryland Cybersecurity Center, College Park; Dave Mahon, CenturyLink, Denver, Colorado; Scott R. Bowers, Indiana Electric Cooperatives, Indianapolis; and Christopher Peters, Entergy Corporation, The Woodlands, Texas.

APPROPRIATIONS: FEDERAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENTS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and oversight for fiscal year 2015 for Federal information technology investments, after receiving testimony from Steven VanRoekel, Federal Chief Information Officer, Administrator for E-Government and Information Technology, Office of Management and Budget; Daniel M. Tangherlini, Administrator, General Services Administration; Katherine Archuleta, Director, Office of Personnel Management; and David A. Powner, Director, Information Technology Management Issues, Government Accountability Office.

DRIVERS OF JOB CREATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Policy concluded a hearing to examine drivers of job creation, including S. 1106, to improve the accuracy of mortgage underwriting used by Federal mortgage agencies by ensuring that energy costs are included in the underwriting process, to reduce the amount of energy consumed by homes, to facilitate the creation of energy efficiency retrofit and construction jobs, and S. 2189, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve and extend the deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings, after receiving testimony from Jennifer Erickson, Center for American Progress, Virginia Beach, Virginia; Derek

Smith, Clean Energy Works, Portland, Oregon; Emil H. Frankel, Bipartisan Policy Center, Washington, DC.; Robert Dietz, National Association of Home Builders, Arlington, Virginia; and R. Thomas Buffenbarger, International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Brookeville, Maryland.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Surface Transportation Reauthorization, focusing on progress, challenges, and next steps, after receiving testimony from Anthony R. Foxx, Secretary of Transportation.

INDIAN AFFAIRS BILLS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1603, to reaffirm that certain land has been taken into trust for the benefit of the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatami Indians, S. 1818, to ratify a water settlement agreement affecting the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, S. 2040, to exchange trust and fee land to resolve land disputes created by the realignment of the Blackfoot River along the boundary of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation, S. 2041, to repeal the Act of May 31, 1918, and S. 2188, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes, after receiving testimony from Senator Moran; Kevin Washburn, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Brian Cladoosby, National Congress of American Indians, Washington, DC.; Nathan Small, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Fort Hall Business Council, Ft. Hall, Idaho; Elwood Lowery, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Nixon, Nevada; and DK Sprague, Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatami Indians Gun Lake Tribe, Dorr, Michigan.

THE FIGHT AGAINST CANCER

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the fight against cancer, focusing on challenges, progress, and promise, after receiving testimony from Harold Varmus, Director, National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Thomas Sellers, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, Tampa, Florida; Mary Dempsey, Patrick Dempsey Center for Cancer Hope and Healing, Lewiston, Maine; Valerie Harper, Greenwich, Connecticut; and Chip Kennett, Alexandria, Virginia.