

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See *Résumé of Congressional Activity*.

Senate agreed to S. Res. 496, relative to the death of former Senator Alan John Dixon.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4197–S4231*

**Measures Introduced:** One bill and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2564, and S. Res. 495–496. **Page S4224**

#### Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Report on the Legislative Activities of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation During the 112th Congress”. (S. Rept. No. 113–206)

S. 2028, to amend the law relating to sport fish restoration and recreational boating safety. (S. Rept. No. 113–205) **Page S4224**

#### Measures Passed:

**Responsibility of Committees of the Senate of Advice and Consent:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 470, amending Senate Resolution 400 (94th Congress) to clarify the responsibility of committees of the Senate in the provision of the advice and consent of the Senate to nominations to positions in the intelligence community. **Page S4204**

**Summer Meals Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 495, designating July 2014 as “Summer Meals Awareness Month”. **Page S4231**

**Death of Former Senator Alan John Dixon:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 496, relative to the death of the Honorable Alan John Dixon, former United States Senator for the State of Illinois. **Page S4231**

#### Measures Considered:

**Bipartisan Sportsmen’s Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2363, to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting. **Pages S4197–99, S4210–11**

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

By 82 yeas to 12 nays (Vote No. 218), 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 S4210–11**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, July 8, 2014; and that all time during adjournment, recess, and morning business count post-cloture. **Page S4231**

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. EX. 217), Cheryl Ann Krause, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. **Pages S4210, S4231**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Robert Alan McDonald, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

- 1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.
- 3 Army nominations in the rank of general.
- 1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

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**Messages from the House:** **Page S4215**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Pages S4215, S4197**

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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S4214–15**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S4226–31**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S4231**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—218) **Pages S4210–11**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Alan John Dixon, in accordance with S. Res. 496, at 7:09 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 8, 2014. (For Senate's program, see

the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on Page S4231.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 2 public bills, H.R. 5018–5019; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 654–656, were introduced. **Page H5830**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H5830**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Meadows to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5829**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 1 p.m. and adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D638)

H.R. 316, to reinstate and transfer certain hydroelectric licenses and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects. Signed on June 30, 2014. (Public Law 113–122)

S. 1044, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the United States on D-Day, June 6, 1944. Signed on June 30, 2014. (Public Law 113–123)

S. 1254, to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998. Signed on June 30, 2014. (Public Law 113–124)

S. 2086, to address current emergency shortages of propane and other home heating fuels and to provide greater flexibility and information for Governors to address such emergencies in the future. Signed on June 30, 2014. (Public Law 113–125)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold receive a closed briefing on the situations in Iraq and Afghanistan, 9:30 a.m., SVC–217.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the role of regulation in shaping equity market structure and electronic trading, 10 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine combating forced labor and modern-day slavery in East Asia and the Pacific, 10:30 a.m., SD–419.

Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine renewed focus on European energy security, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold hearings to examine the challenges of prevention and identification in child trafficking and private re-homing, 10 a.m., SD–430.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

### House

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs,* Full Committee, hearing entitled "VA Whistleblowers: Exposing Inadequate Service Provided to Veterans and Ensuring Appropriate Accountability", 7:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 8 through July 11, 2014

## Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 11 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2363, Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act, post-cloture.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

## Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations:* July 10, to hold hearings to examine proposed emergency supplemental request for fiscal year 2015 for unaccompanied children and related matters, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Armed Services:* July 8, to receive a closed briefing on the situations in Iraq and Afghanistan, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

July 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Admiral William E. Gortney, USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Commander, United States Northern Command, and Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command, General John F. Campbell, USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, International Security Assistance Force, and Commander, United States Forces, Afghanistan, and Lieutenant General Joseph L. Votel, USA, to be general and Commander, United States Special Operations Command, all of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* July 8, to hold hearings to examine the role of regulation in shaping equity market structure and electronic trading, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* July 9, to hold hearings to examine promoting the well-being and academic success of college athletes, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* July 8, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine combating forced labor and modern-day slavery in East Asia and the Pacific, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

July 8, Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine renewed focus on European energy security, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

July 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Russia and developments in Ukraine, 9:45 a.m., SD-419.

July 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Leslie Ann Bassett, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Paraguay, and Todd D. Robinson, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guatemala, both of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* July 8, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold hearings to examine the challenges of prevention and identification in child trafficking and private re-homing, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* July 9, to hold hearings to examine challenges at the border, focusing on the causes, consequences, and responses to the rise in apprehensions at the southern border, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* July 9, to hold hearings to examine S. 2442, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take certain land and mineral rights on the reservation of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe of Montana and other culturally important land into trust for the benefit of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, S. 2465, to require the Secretary of the Interior to take into trust 4 parcels of Federal land for the benefit of certain Indian Pueblos in the State of New Mexico, S. 2479, to provide for a land conveyance in the State of Nevada, S. 2480, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Elko County, Nevada, and to take land into trust for certain Indian tribes, and S. 2503, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into the Big Sandy River-Planet Ranch Water Rights Settlement Agreement and the Hualapai Tribe Bill Williams River Water Rights Settlement Agreement, to provide for the lease of certain land located within Planet Ranch on the Bill Williams River in the State of Arizona to benefit the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program, and to provide for the settlement of specific water rights claims in the Bill Williams River watershed in the State of Arizona, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* July 10, business meeting to consider S. 517, to promote consumer choice and wireless competition by permitting consumers to unlock mobile wireless devices, S.J. Res. 19, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections, and the nominations of Pamela Harris, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Pamela Pepper, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Brenda K. Sannes, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, and Patricia M. McCarthy, of Maryland, and Jeri Kaylene Somers, of Virginia, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* July 8, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

July 10, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* July 9, to hold hearings to examine improving audits, focusing on strengthening the Medicare program for future generations, 2:15 p.m., SH-216.

## House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* July 9, Subcommittee on Horticulture, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to consider the societal benefits of biotechnology, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 10, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing entitled "Implementing