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Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of Julian Castro, of Texas, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4287–S4365

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2570–2579, and S. Res. 497. **Page S4336**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 1376, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 369 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive in Jersey City, New Jersey, as the “Judge Shirley A. Tolentino Post Office Building”.

H.R. 1813, To redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 162 Northeast Avenue in Tallmadge, Ohio, as the “Lance Corporal Daniel Nathan Deyarmin, Jr., Post Office Building”.

S. 2056, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 13127 Broadway Street in Alden, New York, as the “Sergeant Brett E. Gornewicz Memorial Post Office”.

S. 2057, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 198 Baker Street in Corning, New York, as the “Specialist Ryan P. Jayne Post Office Building”. **Page S4336**

Measures Passed:

Black Hills Cemetery Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 291, to provide for the conveyance of certain cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S4355, S4361**

Hill Creek Cultural Preservation and Energy Development Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 356, to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled “An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reserva-

tion in the State of Utah, and for other purposes”, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S4355, S4361**

Provo River Project Transfer Act: Senate passed H.R. 255, to amend certain definitions contained in the Provo River Project Transfer Act for purposes of clarifying certain property descriptions. **Pages S4355, S4361**

Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial Act: Senate passed H.R. 330, to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California. **Pages S4355, S4361**

Pascua Yaqui Tribe Trust Land Act: Senate passed H.R. 507, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona. **Pages S4355-56, S4361**

Three Kids Mine Remediation and Reclamation Act: Senate passed H.R. 697, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Clark County, Nevada, for the environmental remediation and reclamation of the Three Kids Mine Project Site. **Pages S4356, S4361**

Idaho Wilderness Water Resources Protection Act: Senate passed H.R. 876, to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho. **Pages S4356, S4361**

North Cascades National Park Service Complex Fish Stocking Act: Senate passed H.R. 1158, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area. **Pages S4356, S4361**

Lake Hill Administrative Site Affordable Housing Act: Senate passed H.R. 2337, to provide for the

conveyance of the Forest Service Lake Hill Administrative Site in Summit County, Colorado.

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Huna Tlingit Traditional Gull Egg Use Act: Senate passed H.R. 3110, to allow for the harvest of gull eggs by the Huna Tlingit people within Glacier Bay National Park in the State of Alaska.

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Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Senate passed S. 247, to establish the Harriet Tubman National Historical Park in Auburn, New York, and the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park in Caroline, Dorchester, and Talbot Counties, Maryland, after agreeing to the committee amendment.

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Lower Mississippi River Area Study Act: Senate passed S. 311, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating sites in the Lower Mississippi River Area in the State of Louisiana as a unit of the National Park System, after agreeing to the committee amendment, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Reid (for Coburn) Amendment No. 3528, to modify the section relating to donations.

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Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Senate passed S. 354, to modify the boundary of the Oregon Caves National Monument.

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Geothermal Production Expansion Act: Senate passed S. 363, to expand geothermal production.

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Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Development Act: Senate passed S. 476, to amend the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Development Act to extend to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Commission, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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San Juan County Federal Land Conveyance Act: Senate passed S. 609, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, New Mexico, after agreeing to the committee amendments.

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Major General William H. Gourley VA–DOD Outpatient Clinic: Senate passed H.R. 272, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense joint outpatient clinic to be constructed in Marina, California, as the “Major General William H. Gourley VA–DOD Outpatient Clinic”.

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Dr. Cameron McKinley Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Center: Committee on Veterans’ Affairs was discharged from further consideration of

H.R. 1216, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Vet Center in Prescott, Arizona, as the “Dr. Cameron McKinley Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Center”, and the bill was then passed.

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National Day of Remembrance for Nuclear Weapons Program Workers: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 417, designating October 30, 2014, as a national day of remembrance for nuclear weapons program workers, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Honoring the Life and Career of Charles “Chuck” Noll: Senate agreed to S. Res. 497, honoring the life and career of Charles “Chuck” Noll.

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Measures Considered:

Bipartisan Sportmen’s Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of S. 2363, to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Reid (for Udall (CO)/Risch) Amendment No. 3469, to clarify a provision relating to the non-Federal share of the cost of acquiring land for, expanding, or constructing a public target range.

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Reid Amendment No. 3490 (to Amendment No. 3469), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 3491, to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 3492 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 3491), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 3493 (to Amendment No. 3492), of a perfecting nature.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, July 11, 2014.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the filing deadline for first-degree amendments to the bill be 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, July 10, 2014, and the filing deadline for second-degree amendments be 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, July 10, 2014.

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Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2244, to extend the termination date of the Terrorism Insurance Program

established under the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002. **Pages S4298–S4324**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2014 National Drug Control Strategy; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (PM–49) **Pages S4330–31**

Bay Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Norman C. Bay, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. **Pages S4324–25**

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, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Wednesday, July 9, 2014, a vote on cloture will occur at 12 noon, on Tuesday, July 15, 2014. **Pages S4324–25**

LaFleur Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Cheryl A. LaFleur, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. **Page S4325**

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, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Wednesday, July 9, 2014, a vote on cloture will occur at 12 noon, on Tuesday, July 15, 2014. **Page S4325**

Bay and LaFleur Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, at 12 noon, on Tuesday, July 15, 2014, Senate vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Norman C. Bay, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Cheryl A. LaFleur, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, in the order listed; that if cloture is invoked on either of these nominations, that at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, July 15, 2014, all post-cloture time be expired, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the order upon which cloture was invoked; and that there be two minutes for debate prior to each vote. **Page S4325**

Donovan, Silliman, and Smith Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 12 noon, on Thursday, July 10, 2014, Senate begin consideration of the nominations of Shaun L.S. Donovan, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Douglas Alan Silliman, of Texas, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Min-

ister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait, and Dana Shell Smith, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar; that the time until 2 p.m. be equally divided in the form on the nomination of Shaun L.S. Donovan, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nominations, in the order listed; that there be two minutes for debate, equally divided in the usual form, prior to votes on confirmation of the nominations of Douglas Alan Silliman, of Texas, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait, and Dana Shell Smith, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar, that all roll call votes after the first vote be 10 minutes in length; that no further motions be in order to the nominations. **Page S4325**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 71 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. EX. 219), Julian Castro, of Texas, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. **Pages S4297, S4365**

Darci L. Vetter, of Nebraska, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador. **Page S4297, S4365**

William D. Adams, of Maine, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Humanities for a term of four years. **Pages S4297–98, S4365**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jess Lippincott Baily, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Macedonia.

Judith Beth Cefkin, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Fiji Islands, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Kiribati, the Republic of Nauru, the Kingdom of Tonga, and Tuvalu.

Robert Francis Cekuta, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Stafford Fitzgerald Haney, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica.

Elizabeth Sherwood-Randall, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

Michele Jeanne Sison, of Maryland, to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and the Deputy Representative of the

United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations.

Michele Jeanne Sison, of Maryland, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

Margaret Ann Uyehara, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to Montenegro.

James Peter Zumwalt, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Senegal and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Elizabeth M. Robinson, of Washington, to be Under Secretary of Energy, which was sent to the Senate on January 6, 2014.

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Messages from the House: Page S4331

Measures Referred: Page S4331

Measures Placed on the Calendar: Pages S4287, S4331

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—219) Page S4297

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:46 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 10, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4365.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COLLEGE ATHLETES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine promoting the well-being and academic success of college athletes, after receiving testimony from Taylor Branch, *The Cartel*, Baltimore, Maryland; William

D. Bradshaw, National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics, Radnor, Pennsylvania; Richard M. Southall, University of South Carolina College Sport Research Institute, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Mark A. Emmert, National Collegiate Athletic Association, Indianapolis, Indiana; Myron Rolle, Galloway Township, New Jersey; and Devon Ramsay, Red Bank, New Jersey.

RUSSIA AND DEVELOPMENTS IN UKRAINE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Russia and developments in Ukraine, 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; Derek Chollet, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs; and Zbigniew Brzezinski, Center for Strategic and International Studies, and Stephen J. Hadley, RiceHadleyGates, LLC, both of Washington, DC.

CHALLENGES AT THE BORDER

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine challenges at the border, focusing on the causes, consequences, and responses to the rise in apprehensions at the Southern Border, after receiving testimony from Craig Fugate, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, R. Gil Kerlikowske, Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection, and Thomas S. Winkowski, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, all of the Department of Homeland Security; Mark Greenberg, Acting Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families; Francisco L. Palmieri, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs; and Juan P. Osuna, Director, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice.

INDIAN TRIBE LAND BILLS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing 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