

**Bolden Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Victor Allen Bolden, of Connecticut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut. **Page S6081**

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 Wendy Beetlestone, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. **Page S6081**

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

By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. EX. 281), Leslie Joyce Abrams, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia. **Page S6074, S6106**

Mark Howard Cohen, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia. **Page S6074, S6106**

Eleanor Louise Ross, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia. **Page S6074, S6106**

Leslie Ann Bassett, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Paraguay. **Page S6075, S6106**

Marcia Stephens Bloom Bernicat, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh. **Page S6075, S6106**

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. **Page S6075, S6106**

Craig B. Allen, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam. **Page S6075, S6106**

William V. Roebuck, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain. **Page S6075, S6106**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—282) **Pages S6073, S6074, S6079–80**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:18 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6106.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### TAX RELIEF AFTER A DISASTER

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Taxation and IRS Oversight concluded a hearing to examine tax relief after a disaster, focusing on how individuals, small businesses, and communities recover, after receiving testimony from Mayor Andy Berke, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Robert G. Loughery, Bucks County Commissioners, Doylestown, Pennsylvania; Vincent M. Ignizio, New York City Council, New York, New York; Sean T. Cronin, St. Vrain and Left Hand Water Conservancy District, Longmont, Colorado; Steve Ellis, Taxpayers for Common Sense, Washington, DC.; and Troy K. Lewis, The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Draper, Utah.

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Earl L. Gay, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management, after the nominee, who was introduced by Representative Lewis, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.