

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S447–S494

Measures Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 250–255, and S. Res. 39–41. **Page S466**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 39, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. **Page S466**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating North Dakota State University Football Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 41, congratulating the North Dakota State University football team for winning the 2014 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Football Championship Subdivision title. **Page S488**

Measures Considered:

Keystone XL Pipeline—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1, to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S449–60**

Pending:

Murkowski Amendment No. 2, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S449**

Vitter/Cassidy Modified Amendment No. 80 (to Amendment No. 2), to provide for the distribution of revenues from certain areas of the outer Continental Shelf. **Page S449**

Murkowski (for Sullivan) Amendment No. 67 (to Amendment No. 2), to restrict the authority of the Environmental Protection Agency to arm agency personnel. **Page S449**

Cardin Amendment No. 75 (to Amendment No. 2), to provide communities that rely on drinking water from a source that may be affected by a tar sands spill from the Keystone XL pipeline an analysis of the potential risks to public health and the environment from a leak or rupture of the pipeline. **Page S449**

Murkowski Amendment No. 98 (to Amendment No. 2), to express the sense of Congress relating to adaptation projects in the United States Arctic region and rural communities. **Page S449**

Flake Amendment No. 103 (to Amendment No. 2), to require the evaluation and consolidation of duplicative green building programs. **Page S449**

Cruz Amendment No. 15 (to Amendment No. 2), to promote economic growth and job creation by increasing exports. **Page S449**

Moran/Cruz Amendment No. 73 (to Amendment No. 2), to delist the lesser prairie-chicken as a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973. **Page S449**

Daines Amendment No. 132 (to Amendment No. 2), to express the sense of Congress regarding the designation of National Monuments. **Page S449**

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

By 53 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 29), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Murkowski Amendment No. 2 (listed above). **Page S454–55**

Senator McConnell entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on Murkowski Amendment No. 2 (listed above). **Page S455**

By 53 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 30), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Page S455**

Senator McConnell entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the bill. **Page S455**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, with the time until 12:30 p.m. equally divided with the Democrats controlling the first half, and the Republicans controlling the final half. **Page S488**

Appointments:

Joint Committee on Taxation: The Chair announced on behalf of the Committee on Finance, pursuant to section 8002 of title 26, U.S. Code, the designation of the following Senators as members of the Joint Committee on Taxation: Senators Hatch, Grassley, Crapo, Wyden, and Stabenow. **Page S488**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Sim Farar, of California, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2015.

Sim Farar, of California, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2018.

William Joseph Hybl, of Colorado, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2015.

William Joseph Hybl, of Colorado, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2018.

Dallas P. Tonsager, of South Dakota, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, for a term expiring May 21, 2020.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Page S490–94**

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:
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Additional Statements: **Page S464**

Amendments Submitted: **Page S469–88**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—30) **Page S454–55**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 4:30 p.m. and adjourned at 7:29 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S488.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 522–538; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 26; H. Con. Res. 9; and H. Res. 49–51, were introduced. **Page H581–82**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H583–84**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 48, providing for consideration on the bill (H.R. 351) to provide for expedited approval of exportation of natural gas, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–5). **Page H581**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Allen to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H537**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:08 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H538**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member of the House to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Representative Smith (NJ), Chairman. **Page H539**

Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the

following Member of the House to the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: Representative Smith (NJ), Chairman. **Page H539**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:12 p.m. and reconvened at 3:33 p.m. **Page H539**

Morning Hour Debate: Agreed by unanimous consent that the order of the House of January 6, 2015 regarding Morning Hour debate does not apply tomorrow, January 27th. **Page H539**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Human Trafficking Prioritization Act: H.R. 514, to prioritize the fight against human trafficking within the Department of State according to congressional intent in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 without increasing the size of the Federal Government; **Page H539–42**

International Megan's Law to Prevent Demand for Child Sex Trafficking: H.R. 515, to protect children from exploitation, especially sex trafficking in tourism, by providing advance notice of intended travel by registered child-sex offenders outside the United States to the government of the country of destination, and requesting foreign governments to