

# Daily Digest

**CORRECTION**

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S741–S802*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty-three bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 356–378, S.J. Res. 6–7, and S. Res. 65–68. **Pages S771–72**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 227, to strengthen the Federal education research system to make research and evaluations more timely and relevant to State and local needs in order to increase student achievement. **Page S771**

#### Measures Passed:

*Congratulating the New England Patriots:* Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 63, congratulating the New England Patriots on their victory in Super Bowl XLIX, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S798**

*Authorizing the Use of the Rotunda:* Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 12, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol for a ceremony to present the Congressional Gold Medal to Jack Nicklaus. **Pages S798–99**

#### Measures Considered:

**Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 240, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015. **Pages S741–44, S755–59**

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

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By 53 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 52), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having not voted in the affirmative, Senate upon reconsideration

rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S759**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 5, 2015, with the time until 11:30 a.m. equally divided in the usual form. **Page S799**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13396 on February 7, 2006, with respect to the situation in or in relation to Cote d'Ivoire; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–4) **Page S768**

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

Waverly D. Crenshaw, Jr., of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee.

Lawrence Joseph Vilardo, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York.

Eileen Maura Decker, of California, to be United States Attorney for the Central District of California for the term of four years.

John W. Huber, of Utah, to be United States Attorney for the District of Utah for the term of four years.

68 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.  
1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Air Force. **Pages S801–02**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S768**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S768**

**Measures Read the First Time:** **Pages S768, S799**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S768–71**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S772–73**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S773–81**

**Additional Statements:** Pages S767–68  
**Amendments Submitted:** Pages S786–98  
**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** Page S798  
**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today.  
 (Total—52) Page S759

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:06 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 5, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S799.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Ashton B. Carter, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Defense, after the nominee, who was introduced by former Senator Lieberman, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY FRAMEWORK

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine private sector experience with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) framework, focusing on building a more secure cyber future, after receiving testimony from Charles H. Romine, Director, Information Technology Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; Ann M. Beauchesne, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Paul Smocer, BITS/Financial Services Roundtable, and James A. Lewis, Center for Strategic and International Studies, all of Washington, DC; and Jeff England, Silver Star Communications, Freedom, Wyoming.

### IMPACTS OF VESSEL DISCHARGE REGULATIONS

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard concluded a hearing to examine the impacts of vessel discharge regulations on shipping and fishing industries, after receiving testimony from Claudia Copeland, Specialist in Resources and Environmental Policy, Resources Science and Industry Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; James F. Farley, Kirby Offshore Marine, LLC, Houston, Texas; James H. I. Weakley, Lake Carriers' Association, Rocky River, Ohio; and Robert F. Zales, II, Bob Zales Charters, Panama City, Flor-

ida, on behalf of the National Association of Charterboat Operators.

### ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSED EXPANSION OF WATER REGULATIONS

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a joint hearing with the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure to examine state and local impacts of Administration's proposed expansion of water regulations, after receiving testimony from Jo-Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, Department of Defense; Gina McCarthy, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; E. Scott Pruitt, Oklahoma Attorney General, Oklahoma City; Adam H. Putnam, Florida Commissioner of Agriculture, Tallahassee; Lemuel M. Srolovic, Office of New York State Attorney General, Bureau Chief of the Environmental Protection Bureau, New York; Sallie Clark, El Paso County Commissioner, Colorado Springs, Colorado, on behalf of the National Association of Counties; and Timothy Mauck, Clear Creek County Commissioner, Idaho Springs, Colorado.

### PRESIDENT'S PROPOSED BUDGET REQUEST

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2016, after receiving testimony from Sylvia M. Burwell, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

### ENDING MODERN SLAVERY

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine ending modern slavery, focusing on the best way forward, after receiving testimony from Gary Haugen, International Justice Mission, Arlington, Virginia; Shawna Bader-Blau, Solidarity Center, and David S. Abramowitz, Humanity United, both of Washington, DC; James Kofi Annan, Challenging Heights, Accra, Ghana; and Shandra Woworuntu, Mentari, New York, New York.

### DEFERRED ACTION ON IMMIGRATION

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine deferred action on immigration, focusing on implications and unanswered questions, after receiving testimony from Stephen C. Goss, Chief Actuary, Social Security Administration; Eileen J. O'Connor, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, Luke Peter Bellocchi, Wasserman, Mancini and Chang, PC, and Bo Cooper, Fragomen, Del Ray, Bernsen and Loewy LLP, all of Washington, DC; and Shawn Moran, National Border Patrol Council, Solana Beach, California.