

that Iran's leaders have publically accepted Israel's right to exist as a Jewish state. **Page S2644**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Corker/Cardin Amendment No. 1140 (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, May 7, 2015.

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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 upon disposition of Corker/Cardin Amendment No. 1140. **Page S2644**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 6, 2015. **Page S2658**

#### Veto Messages:

**National Labor Relations Board Veto Message:** Senate continued consideration of the veto message to accompany S.J. Res. 8, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to representation case procedures. **Pages S2613, S2644**

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

By 96 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 172), Senate tabled the veto message to accompany the joint resolution. **Page S2644**

#### Conference Reports:

**Budget Resolution—Conference Report:** By 51 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 171), Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany S. Con. Res. 11, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2016 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2017 through 2025. **Pages S2613–44**

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

By 53 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 170), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the conference report to accompany the concurrent resolution. **Page S2613**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S2649**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S2649**

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**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S2654–55**

#### Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—172) **Pages S2613, S2643–44, S2644**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:01 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 6, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2658.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### U.S. GRAIN STANDARDS ACT

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the U.S. Grain Standards Act, after receiving testimony from Bill Gordon, American Soybean Association, Worthington, Minnesota; David Ayers, American Association of Grain Inspection and Weighing Agencies, Urbana, Illinois; Tim Paurus, CHS Inc., Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota, on behalf of the National Grain and Feed Association; and Steve Campbell, Louis Dreyfus Commodities, Kansas City, Missouri, on behalf of the North American Export Grain Association.

### APPROPRIATIONS: SEC AND CFTC

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for the Securities and Exchange Commission and Commodity Futures Trading Commission, after receiving testimony from Mary Jo White, Chairwoman, Securities and Exchange Commission; and Tim Massad, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

### SURFACE TRANSPORTATION REAUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security concluded a hearing to examine surface transportation reauthorization, focusing on the importance of a long term reauthorization, after receiving testimony from Utah State Senator Curt Bramble, Salt Lake City, on behalf of the National Conference of State Legislatures; Mayor Brian C. Wahler, Piscataway Township, New Jersey, on behalf of the New Jersey State League of Municipalities; and Nick Yaksich, Association of Equipment Manufacturers, and Janet Kavinoky, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, both of Washington, D.C.

**WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal government's role in wildfire management, the impact of fires on communities, and potential improvements to be made in fire operations, after receiving testimony from Tom Tidwell, Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Robert Eisele, County of San Diego, Santee, California; Stephen J. Pyne, Arizona State University, Tempe; Sharon M. Hood, University of Montana, Missoula; and Bruce Hallin, Salt River Project, Phoenix, Arizona.

**CLEAN POWER PLAN**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety concluded a hearing to examine the legal implications of the Clean Power Plan, after receiving testimony from Oklahoma Attorney General E. Scott Pruitt, Oklahoma City; West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey, Charleston; Kelly Speakes-Backman, Maryland Public Service Commission Commissioner, Baltimore; and Roger R. Martella, Jr., Sidley Austin LLP, and Lisa Heinzerling, Georgetown University Law Center, both of Washington, D.C.

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE BUDGET**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2016 for the Department of State, after receiving testimony from Catherine M. Russell, Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues, John D. Feeley, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, and Virginia Bennett, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, all of the Department of State.

**PRECISION MEDICINE**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine precision medicine for patients, after receiving testimony from Francis S. Collins, Director, National Institutes of Health, Karen B. DeSalvo, National Coordinator, Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, and Jeffrey Shuren, Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration, all of the Department of Health and Human Services.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of David J. Shulkin, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs, who was introduced by Senator Casey, and LaVerne Horton Council, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their 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.

**CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES QUOTA PROCESS MANAGEMENT**

*United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control:* Caucus concluded a hearing to examine improving management of the controlled substances quota process, after receiving testimony from Marcia Crosse, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; Captain Valerie Jensen, Associate Director, Drug Shortages Program, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Joseph T. Rannazzisi, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice.

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# House of Representatives

***Chamber Action***

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 10 public bills, H.R. 2233–2242; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 49; and H. Res. %1–252 were introduced.

**Pages H2798–99**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

**Pages H2799–H2800**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 1735, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2016 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe