

CORRECTION

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 719, Continuing Appropriations Act, with an amendment.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7011–S7053.

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2102–2113, and S. Res. 272. **Pages S7046–47**

Measures Reported:

S. 209, to amend the Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act of 2005. (S. Rept. No. 114–149) **Page S7046**

Measures Passed:

United States Commission on International Religious Freedom Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 2078, to reauthorize the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom. **Pages S7051–52**

National Kinship Care Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 266, designating September 2015 as “National Kinship Care Month”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S7052**

Fair Minimum Wage Act: Senate passed H.R. 2617, to amend the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 to reduce a scheduled increase in the minimum wage applicable to American Samoa, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S7052**

McConnell (for Isakson) Amendment No. 2705, to reduce an increase in the minimum wage for American Samoa, to adjust the reporting requirements of the Government Accountability Office regarding the proposed minimum wage increases for American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. **Page S7052**

McConnell (for Isakson) Amendment No. 2706, to amend the title. **Page S7052**

Measures Considered:

Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2029, Making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016. **Pages S7014–43, H7052–53**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, 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, September 30, 2015, a vote on cloture will occur at 1:45 p.m., on Thursday, October 1, 2015. **Page S7053**

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, October 1, 2015, with the time until 1:45 p.m., equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees; and that notwithstanding rule XXII, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 1:45 p.m. **Pages S7052–53**

House Messages:

Continuing Appropriations Act: By 78 yeas to 20 nays (Vote No. 272), Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 719, to require the Transportation Security Administration to conform to existing Federal law and regulations regarding criminal investigator positions, with McConnell (for Cochran) Amendment No. 2689, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S7013–14**

Withdrawn:

McConnell Amendment No. 2690 (to Amendment No. 2689), to change the enactment date.

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Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous consent agreement was reached providing that Senator Gardner be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions on Wednesday, September 30, 2015.

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Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the notification of the President's intent to terminate the designations of Seychelles, Uruguay, and Venezuela as beneficiary developing countries under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program; which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM-24) **Pages S7045-46**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the notification of the President's intent to terminate the designation of Seychelles as a beneficiary sub-Saharan African country under the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGO) program; which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM-25) **Page S7046**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

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Messages from the House: **Page S7046**

Measures Referred: **Page S7046**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S7047-48**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:
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Additional Statements: **Pages S7044-45**

Amendments Submitted: **Page S7050**

Notices of Intent: **Page S7050**

Authorities for Committees to Meet:
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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—272) **Page S7014**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 1, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7053.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Securities Investor Protection Corporation, including S. 67, to amend the Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970 to confirm that a customer's net equity claim is based on the customer's last statement and that certain recoveries are prohibited, to change how trustees are appointed, after receiving testimony from Stephen P. Harbeck, Securities Investor Protection Corporation, Sigmund S. Wissner-Gross, Brown Rudnick, LLP, and James W. Giddens, Hughes Hubbard and Reed LLP, all of Washington, D.C.; and J.W. Verret, George Mason School of Law, Fairfax, Virginia.

ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Army Corps of Engineers' participation in the development of the new regulatory definition of "Waters of the United States", after receiving testimony from Jo-Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Department of Defense.

ECONOMIC CRISIS IN UKRAINE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a closed hearing to examine the economic crisis in Ukraine, after receiving testimony from Christine Lagarde, International Monetary Fund, Washington, D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Education and student achievement, after receiving testimony from Ted Mitchell, Under Secretary of Education; Richard K. Vedder, Center for College Affordability and Productivity, Athens, Ohio; and Kevin Carey, New America, Washington, D.C.

END OF THE YEAR SPENDING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management concluded a hearing to examine end of the year spending, after receiving testimony from Jason J. Fichtner, George Mason University Mercatus Center, Arlington, Virginia; Philip G. Joyce, University of Maryland School of