

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1243–S1297

Measures Introduced: Twenty-one bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2622–2642, and S. Res. 385–390. **Pages S1277–78**

Measures Passed:

SAFE PIPES Act: Senate passed S. 2276, to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide enhanced safety in pipeline transportation, after withdrawing the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S1292**

McConnell (for Fischer) Amendment No. 3427, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1296**

World Lymphedema Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 389, designating March 6, 2016, as the first annual “World Lymphedema Day”. **Page S1296**

World Wildlife Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 390, designating March 3, 2016 as “World Wildlife Day”. **Page S1296**

Measures Considered:

Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 524, to authorize the Attorney General to award grants to address the national epidemics of prescription opioid abuse and heroin use, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1245–73**

Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 90 yeas (Vote No. 31), Manchin Amendment No. 3420 (to Amendment No. 3378), to strengthen consumer education about the risks of opioid abuse and addiction. **Page S1263**

Pending:

Grassley Amendment No. 3378, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1245**

Grassley (for Donnelly/Capito) Modified Amendment No. 3374 (to Amendment No. 3378), to provide follow-up services to individuals who have received opioid overdose reversal drugs. **Page S1245**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Grassley Amendment No. 3378 (listed above), and,

in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, March 3, 2016, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2016. **Page S1273**

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 Grassley Amendment No. 3378. **Page S1273**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the filing deadline for first-degree amendments to Grassley Amendment No. 3378, and to the bill, be at 3:30 p.m., on Monday, March 7, 2016. **Page S1273**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 4 p.m., on Monday, March 7, 2016, Senate resume consideration of the bill. **Page S1273**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Susan Louise Castaneda, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of one year.

Roberto R. Herencia, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2018.

Christopher James Brummer, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 19, 2016.

Christopher James Brummer, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring June 19, 2021.

Brian D. Quintenz, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2020.

Routine lists in the Army and Navy. **Page S1296**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Therese W. McMillan, of California, to be Federal Transit Administrator, which was sent to the Senate on January 8, 2015.

Cassandra Q. Butts, of the District of Columbia, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Seventieth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, which was sent to the Senate on September 10, 2015.

Barbara Lee, of California, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Seventieth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, which was sent to the Senate on September 10, 2015.

Christopher H. Smith, of New Jersey, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Seventieth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, which was sent to the Senate on September 10, 2015. **Pages S1296–97**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—31) **Page S1263**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:13 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1296.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Department of Health and Human Services, after receiving testimony from Sylvia Burwell, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Department of Commerce, after receiving testimony from Penny Pritzker, Secretary of Commerce.

APPROPRIATIONS: VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 and fiscal year 2018 for the Veterans Health Administration and Veterans Benefits Administration, after receiving testimony from David J. Shulkin, Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration, and Danny G. I. Pummill, Acting Under Secretary for Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the posture of the Department of the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Deborah Lee James, Secretary, and General Mark A. Welsh III, USAF, Chief of Staff, both of the Department of the Air Force, Department of Defense.

REGULATORY REFORMS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment concluded a hearing to examine regulatory reforms to improve equity market structure, after receiving testimony from Stephen Luparello, Director, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission; and Richard G. Ketchum, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2555, to provide opportunities for broadband investment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Thomas F. Scott Darling, III, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of