

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2465–S2501

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2856–2868, and S. Res. 442–446. **Page S2492**

Measures Reported:

S. 438, to provide for the repair, replacement, and maintenance of certain Indian irrigation projects, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–245)

S. 480, to amend and reauthorize the controlled substance monitoring program under section 399O of the Public Health Service Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1455, to provide access to medication-assisted therapy, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2256, to establish programs for health care provider training in Federal health care and medical facilities, to establish Federal co-prescribing guidelines, to establish a grant program with respect to naloxone, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2492**

Measures Passed:

15th Anniversary of Plan Colombia: Senate agreed to S. Res. 368, supporting efforts by the Government of Colombia to pursue peace and the end of the country's enduring internal armed conflict and recognizing United States support for Colombia at the 15th anniversary of Plan Colombia. **Page S2499**

United States-Israel Economic Relationship: Senate agreed to S. Res. 383, recognizing the importance of the United States-Israel economic relationship and encouraging new areas of cooperation, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S2499**

McConnell (for Perdue) Amendment No. 3882, to foster investment and private sector market entry. **Pages S2499–S2500**

McConnell (for Perdue) Amendment No. 3883, to amend the preamble. **Page S2500**

Honoring the Life of Prince: Senate agreed to S. Res. 444, honoring the life and achievements of Prince. **Page S2500**

100th Anniversary of Coast Guard Aviation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 445, recognizing the 100th anniversary of Coast Guard aviation and the contribution of Coast Guard aviators to naval aviation and the safety and security of the United States. **Page S2500**

National 9–1–1 Education Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 446, designating April 2016 as “National 9–1–1 Education Month”. **Page S2500**

Measures Considered:

Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2028, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2466–81**

Pending:

Alexander/Feinstein Amendment No. 3801, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2466**

Alexander Amendment No. 3804 (to Amendment No. 3801), to modify provisions relating to Nuclear Regulatory Commission fees. **Page S2466**

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

By 50 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 64), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Alexander/Feinstein Amendment No. 3801 (listed above). **Page S2470**

Senator McConnell entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on Alexander/Feinstein Amendment No. 3801. **Page S2470**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Thursday, April 28, 2016. **Page S2501**

Appointments:

United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the

Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–292, as amended by Public Law 106–55, Public Law 107–228, and Public Law 112–75, appointed the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Sandra Jolley of Nevada, vice Katrina Lantos Swett of New Hampshire. **Page S2499**

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the cloture motion with respect to the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2577, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, be withdrawn. **Page S2501**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—64) **Page S2470**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:39 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 28, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2501.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from Ash Carter, Secretary, and General Joseph Dunford Jr., USMC, Chairman of the

Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense.

THE BUDGET PROCESS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine fixing the budget process, focusing on better budgets and better results, after receiving testimony from James C. Capretta, Ethics and Public Policy Center, and Stan Collender, Qorvis MSLGROUP, both of Washington, D.C.; and Barry Anderson, Bethesda, Maryland.

BUSINESS MEETING

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

S. 2644, to reauthorize the Federal Communications Commission for fiscal years 2017 and 2018, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 421, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for greater transparency and efficiency in the procedures followed by the Federal Communications Commission, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2607, to ensure appropriate spectrum planning and interagency coordination to support the Internet of Things, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2508, to reduce sports-related concussions in youth;

S. 2829, to amend and enhance certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2325, to require the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to establish a constituent-driven program to provide a digital information platform capable of efficiently integrating coastal data with decision-support tools, training, and best practices and to support collection of priority coastal geospatial data to inform and improve local, State, regional, and Federal capacities to manage the coastal region, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2817, to improve understanding and forecasting of space weather events, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

The nomination of Andrew J. Read, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Marine Mammal Commission; and

Routine lists in the Coast Guard.

U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States-China relations, focusing on strategic challenges and opportunities,