

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S12671–S12767

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1739–1751, S.J. Res. 19, and S. Res. 244–245. **Page S12737**

Measures Reported:

S. 300, to award a congressional gold medal to Jackie Robinson (posthumously), in recognition of his many contributions to the Nation, and to express the sense of Congress that there should be a national day in recognition of Jackie Robinson.

S. 1691, to establish commissions to review the facts and circumstances surrounding injustices suffered by European Americans, European Latin Americans, and Jewish refugees during World War II. **Page S12737**

Measures Passed:

National Character Counts Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 245, designating the week beginning October 19, 2003, as “National Character Counts Week”. **Pages S12755–56**

Western Shoshone Claims Distribution Act: Senate passed S. 618, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Western Shoshone identifiable group under Indian Claims Commission Docket Numbers 326–A–1, 326–A–3, 326–K, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S12756–59**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, Iraq and Afghanistan: Senate continued consideration of S. 1689, making emergency supplemental appropriations for Iraq and Afghanistan security and reconstruction for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S12643–69, S12671–S12725**

Adopted:

Stevens (for Feingold) Amendment No. 1832, to require reports on Iraqi oil production and revenues to be made available to the public in English and in Arabic. **Page S12655**

Stevens (for McCain) Amendment No. 1853, to provide for financial and performance audits of the

Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund and other assistance to Iraq. **Page S12655**

Stevens (for Hollings) Amendment No. 1865, to clarify the fiscal year limitation in a provision of the Public Law 108–11, Emergency Wartime Supplemental Appropriations Act. **Page S12655**

Stevens (for Durbin) Amendment No. 1866, to require quarterly reports on the status of the efforts of the Iraq Survey Group to account for the Iraq weapons of mass destruction programs. **Pages S12655–56**

Stevens (for McConnell) Amendment No. 1863, to authorize the export of lethal military equipment to Iraq for use by a reconstituted (or interim) Iraqi military or other security forces, that support U.S. efforts in Iraq. **Page S12660**

Stevens (for Leahy) Modified Amendment No. 1814, to require the Coalition Provisional Authority to provide additional information justifying allocations for capital projects in Iraq. **Page S12660**

Stevens (for Harkin/Clinton) Amendment No. 1855, to provide for a report by the Comptroller General on certain contracts performed in, or relating to, Iraq. **Pages S12660–61**

By 97 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 387), McConnell Amendment No. 1874, to express the Sense of the Senate that the Global War on Terrorism medal should be awarded expeditiously to members of the Armed Forces serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Noble Eagle. **Pages S12673, S12677–82**

Stevens (for Reid/Daschle) Modified Amendment No. 1869, to prohibit the use of funds to arm, train, or employ individuals under the age of 18 years for the Facilities Protection Service. **Page S12682**

Stevens (for Hollings) Amendment No. 1870, to provide that, notwithstanding the Algiers Accords, any United States citizen held hostage between 1979 and 1981, and their spouses and children at the time, shall have a claim for money damages against a foreign state for personal injury that was caused by the Foreign State’s act of torture or hostage-taking. **Page S12682**

Stevens (for Cantwell) Modified Amendment No. 1857, to improve the process for timely informing members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, their families, their employers, and Congress

of changes in deployment policies and schedules applicable to mobilize members of the reserve components. **Pages S12682–83**

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 388), Nickles Amendment No. 1876, to express the sense of the Senate that all countries that hold debt from the former Iraqi regime of Saddam Hussein should be urged to forgive their debt. **Pages S12683–88, S12708–09**

By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 389), Bayh Amendment No. 1871, to require that funds for reconstruction in Iraq be used for certain purposes. **Pages S12688–S12708, S12709–10**

Hutchison Modified Amendment No. 1877, to express the sense of Congress on reconstruction efforts in Iraq. **Pages S12710–11**

Nelson (FL) Modified Amendment No. 1858, to set aside certain amounts available national security, \$10,000,000 for the Family Readiness Program of the National Guard. **Pages S12711–12**

Stevens (for Warner) Amendment No. 1880 (to Amendment No. 1867), to designate the amount designated for disaster relief provided in connection with Department of Defense infrastructure damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Isabel as an emergency requirement. **Page S12712**

Warner Amendment No. 1867, to increase the Federal share of the cost of disaster relief provided in connection with Hurricane Isabel; and to provide for repair or replacement of Department of Defense infrastructure damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Isabel. **Page S12656**

Reid (for Nelson (FL)) Amendment No. 1881, to require a report on the plans of the Navy for basing aircraft carriers through 2020. **Page S12716**

Reed/Hagel Amendment No. 1834, to increase the end strength of the Army and to structure the additional forces for constabulary duty. **Page S12721**

Feingold Amendment No. 1852, to enable military family members to take leave to attend to deployment-related business and tasks. **Pages S12721–22**

Rejected:

Byrd Amendment No. 1818, to impose a limitation on the use of sums appropriated for the Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund. (By 57 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 385), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S12668–69**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 1868, to prohibit the use of funds for any contract or other financial agreement or arrangement with any entity that pays compensation in the form of deferred salary to certain United States Government officials. (By 65 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 386), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S12657–60, S12671–72**

Withdrawn:

Feinstein Amendment No. 1848, to require reports on the United States strategy for relief and reconstruction efforts in Iraq, and to limit the availability of certain funds for those efforts pending determinations by the President that the objectives and deadlines for those efforts will be substantially achieved. **Page S12721**

Pending:

Byrd/Durbin Amendment No. 1819, to prohibit the use of Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Funds for low priority activities that should not be the responsibility of U.S. taxpayers, and shift \$600 million from the Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund to Defense Operations and Maintenance, Army, for significantly improving efforts to secure and destroy conventional weapons, such as bombs, bomb materials, small arms, rocket propelled grenades, and shoulder-launched missiles, in Iraq. **Page S12643**

Bond/Mikulski Amendment No. 1825, to provide additional VA Medical Care Funds for the Department of Veterans Affairs. **Page S12643**

Durbin Amendment No. 1837, to ensure that a Federal employee who takes leave without pay in order to perform certain service as a member of the uniformed services or member of the National Guard shall continue to receive pay in an amount which, when taken together with the pay and allowances such individual is receiving for such service, will be no less than the basic pay such individual would then be receiving if no interruption in employment had occurred. **Page S12715**

Daschle Amendment No. 1854, to achieve the most effective means of reconstructing Iraq and to reduce the future costs to the American taxpayer of such reconstruction by ensuring broad-based international cooperation for this effort. **Page S12643**

Reid (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 1859, to promote the establishment of an Iraq Reconstruction Finance Authority and the use of Iraqi oil revenues to pay for reconstruction in Iraq. **Pages S12716–18**

Boxer Modified Amendment No. 1843, to make retroactive the relief of hospitalized members of the uniformed services from the obligation to pay for food and subsistence while hospitalized. **Pages S12712–13**

Reid (for Chafee/Leahy) Modified Amendment No. 1807, to provide for humanitarian assistance and reconstruction in Liberia. **Pages S12713–15**

Durbin Amendment No. 1879, to provide funds for the prevention, treatment, and control of, and research on HIV/AIDS. **Pages S12715–16**

Corzine Amendment No. 1882, to establish a National Commission on the Development and Use of Intelligence Related to Iraq. **Pages S12718–21**

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

Chair sustained a point of order against Schumer Amendment No. 1872, to express the sense of Congress concerning the appointment of a special counsel to conduct a fair, thorough, and independent investigation into a national security breach, as being in violation of Rule XVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate which prohibits legislating on an appropriations bill, and the amendment thus fell.

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Chair sustained a point of order against Durbin Amendment No. 1873, to provide funds for the prevention, treatment, and control of, and research on HIV/AIDS, as being in violation of Rule XVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate which prohibits legislating on an appropriations bill, and the amendment thus fell.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 9 a.m., on Friday, October 17, 2003, Senate will begin a series of votes on certain pending amendments.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9 a.m., on Friday, October 17, 2003.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Timothy John Dunn, of Illinois, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Deputy Permanent Representative to the Organization of American States.

Stuart W. Holliday, of Texas, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

Zalmay Khalilzad, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Transitional Islamic State of Afghanistan.

Adam Marc Lindemann, of New York, to be Member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting for a term expiring October 27, 2005.

James Curtis Struble, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Peru.

The following named officer for appointment to the grade indicated in the United States Air Force under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

18 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Navy.

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

Thomas Thomas Riley, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for the remainder of the term

expiring September 22, 2005, which was sent to the Senate on February 27, 2003.

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Messages From the House: **Page S12735**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S12749–54**

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—389) **Pages S12669 S12672 S12682 S12709 S12710**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:31 a.m., and adjourned at 1:05 a.m., on Friday, October, 17, 2003 and will reconvene at 9 a.m. on the same day. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S12759.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS: INTELLIGENCE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing to discuss the intelligence provisions of S. 1689, making emergency supplemental appropriations for Iraq and Afghanistan security and reconstruction for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004 (pending on Senate Calendar) from members of the intelligence community.

HOUSING GSE'S

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee held a hearing to examine proposals for improving the regulation of the Housing government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs), focusing on essential elements and proposals of regulatory reform, resolution of accounting issues, funding of new oversight offices, receiving testimony from John W. Snow, Secretary of the Treasury; Mel Martinez, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Franklin D. Raines, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Fannie Mae; George D. Gould, Presiding Director, Freddie Mac; and Norman B. Rice, President and