

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S693–S757*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2055–2057, S. Res. 297 and S. Con. Res. 88. **Page S721**

**Measures Passed:**

*Congratulating St. John's University, Collegeville, Minnesota, Football Team:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 297, congratulating the Saint John's University, Collegeville, Minnesota, football team for winning the 2003 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Football Championship. **Page S756**

**SAFE Transportation Equity Act:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 1072, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S695–S715**

Pending:

Modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Dorgan Amendment No. 2267, to exempt certain agricultural producers from certain hazardous materials transportation requirements. **Page S695**

Gregg Amendment No. 2268 (to Amendment No. 2267), to provide that certain public safety officials have the right to collective bargaining. **Page S695**

Dorgan Amendment No. 2276 (to the language proposed to be stricken by the committee amendment), to modify the penalty for nonenforcement of open container requirements. **Pages S710–15**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, February 10, 2004. **Page S756**

**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Economic Report of the President; referred to the Joint Economic Committee. (PM–63) **Page S719**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Enrique J. Sosa, of Florida, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak) for a term of five years.

29 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.

11 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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**Executive Communications:** **Pages S719–21**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S721–22**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S722–24**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S717–19**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S724–56**

**Authority for Committees to Meet:** **Page S756**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 1 p.m., and adjourned at 5:38 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, February 10, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S756.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY BUDGET

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2005 for the Department of Homeland Security, after receiving testimony from Tom Ridge, Secretary of Homeland Security.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10 for morning hour debate and at 2 p.m. for legislative business.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to resume hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for Fiscal Year 2005 and the future years defense program, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine proposals for improving the regulatory regime of government sponsored enterprises, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed fiscal year 2005 budget for the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Samuel W. Bodman, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the Administration's proposed fiscal year 2005 Department of Veterans Affairs' budget, 3 p.m., SR-418.

*Special Committee on Aging:* to hold hearings to examine tax relief strategies for eldercare, 10 a.m., SD-628.

#### House

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing on "Public Diplomacy in the Middle East," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Human Rights, hearing on the Status of International Religious Freedom: An Analysis of the State Department's 2003 Annual Report, 5:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing on Privacy in the Hands of the Government: The Privacy Officer for the Department of Homeland Security; followed by a mark up of H.R. 338, Defense of Privacy Act, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* to consider the following bills: H.R. 743, Social Security Protection Act of 2003; and H.R. 1561, United States Patent and Trademark Fee Modernization Act of 2003, 5:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2005 Budget for the Department of Health and Human Services, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

#### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee:* to hold hearings to examine the economic report of the President, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 10

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 10

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of S. 1072, SAFE Transportation Equity Act.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** The House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour debate and at 2 p.m. for legislative business.



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