

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S3851–S3931*

**Measures Introduced:** Eleven bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2690–2700, S. Res. 459–461, and S. Con. Res. 92. **Pages S3893–94**

**Measures Passed:**

**Jefferson Public Service Awards:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 461, supporting and commending the supporters of the Jefferson Awards for Public Service for encouraging all citizens of the United States to embark on a life of public service and recognizing those citizens who have already performed extraordinary deeds for their community and country.

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**Presidential Medal of Freedom to Satchel Paige:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 91, expressing the sense of Congress that the President should posthumously award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Leroy Robert “Satchel” Paige, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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**Greater Washington Soap Box Derby:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 349, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby.

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**Lung Cancer Mortality Reduction:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 408, expressing the sense of the Senate that the President should declare lung cancer a public health priority and should implement a comprehensive interagency program that will reduce lung cancer mortality by at least 50 percent by 2015, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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**Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Amendments:** Senate passed S. 1003, to amend the Act of December 22, 1974, after agreeing to the committee amendments, and the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S3918–30**

Ensign (for McCain) Amendment No. 3858, in the nature of a substitute.

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Ensign (for McCain) Amendment No. 3859 (to Amendment No. 3858), to modify a provision relating to the authorization of appropriations.

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**Emergency Supplemental Appropriations:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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**Adopted:**

Domenici/Reid Amendment No. 3769, to provide additional construction funding for levee improvements in the New Orleans metropolitan area, gulf coast restoration.

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Cochran (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 3789, to ensure states impacted by Hurricane Rita are treated equally with regard to cost-share adjustments for damage resulting from that hurricane.

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Vitter/Landrieu Modified Amendment No. 3626, to increase the limits on community disaster loans.

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Lott/Dodd Amendment No. 3727, to provide funding for the Election Assistance Commission to make discretionary payments to States affected by Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes during the 2005 season.

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Vitter Modified Amendment No. 3627, to designate the areas affected by Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita as HUBZones and to waive the Small Business Competitive Demonstration Program Act of 1988 for the areas affected by Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita.

**Pages S3858, S3873**

Salazar Amendment No. 3736, to provide funding for critical National Forest System projects to address the consequences of Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season, reduce the risk of catastrophic fires, and mitigate the effects of widespread insect infestations throughout the National Forest System.

**Pages S3878–79**

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 106), Obama Amendment No. 3810, to provide that none of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for hurricane relief and recovery contracts

exceeding \$500,000 that are awarded using procedures other than competitive procedures.

**Pages S3879–80**

Rejected:

By 40 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 104), McCain/Ensign Amendment No. 3617, to strike a provision providing \$6 million to sugarcane growers in Hawaii, which was not included in the Administration's emergency supplemental request.

**Pages S3858, S3860–63**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 105), Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division IV), relative to Navy shipbuilding cost adjustments.

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Withdrawn:

Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division V), relative to highway emergency relief funds.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division VI), relative to shrimp and reef fish fisheries.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division VII), relative to AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division VIII), relative to the procurement of V-22 aircraft.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division IX), relative to the American River (Common Features) project in California.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division X), relative to fishing vessels with logbooks to record haul-by-haul catch data.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XI), relative to the Armed Forces Retirement Home.

**Pages S3858, S3874–75, S3876–78**

Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XII), relative to off-shore shrimp and reef fishery with electronic vessel monitoring systems.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XIII), relative to New England red tide outbreak assistance.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XIV), relative to the South Sacramento Streams project in California.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XV), relative to temporary marine services centers.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XVI), relative to the replacement of private fisheries infrastructure.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XVII), relative to the employment of fishers and vessel owners.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XVIII), relative to the replacement of damaged fishing gear.

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Pending:

McCain/Ensign Amendment No. 3616, to strike a provision that provides \$74.5 million to states based on their production of certain types of crops, live-stock and/or dairy products, which was not included in the Administration's emergency supplemental request.

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McCain/Ensign Amendment No. 3618, to strike \$15 million for a seafood promotion strategy that was not included in the Administration's emergency supplemental request.

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McCain/Ensign Amendment No. 3619, to strike the limitation on the use of funds for the issuance or implementation of certain rulemaking decisions related to the interpretation of "actual control" of airlines.

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Warner Amendment No. 3620, to repeal the requirement for 12 operational aircraft carriers within the Navy.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XIX), relative to the construction of the Sacramento River-bank Protection Project in California.

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Vitter Modified Amendment No. 3628, to base the allocation of hurricane disaster relief and recovery funds to States on need and physical damages.

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Wyden Amendment No. 3665, to prohibit the use of funds to provide royalty relief for the production of oil and natural gas.

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Santorum Modified Amendment No. 3640, to increase by \$12,500,000 the amount appropriated for the Broadcasting Board of Governors, to increase by \$12,500,000 the amount appropriated for the Department of State for the Democracy Fund, to provide that such funds shall be made available for democracy programs and activities in Iran, and to provide an offset.

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Salazar/Baucus Amendment No. 3645, to provide funding for critical hazardous fuels and forest health projects to reduce the risk of catastrophic fires and mitigate the effects of widespread insect infestations.

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Vitter Amendment No. 3668, to provide for the treatment of a certain Corps of Engineers project.

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Burr Amendment No. 3713, to allocate funds to the Smithsonian Institution for research on avian influenza.

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Coburn (for Obama/Coburn) Amendment No. 3693, to reduce wasteful spending by limiting to the

reasonable industry standard the spending for administrative overhead allowable under Federal contracts and subcontracts. **Page S3859**

Coburn (for Obama/Coburn) Amendment No. 3694, to improve accountability for competitive contracting in hurricane recovery by requiring the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to approve contracts awarded without competitive procedures. **Page S3859**

Coburn (for Obama/Coburn) Amendment No. 3695, to improve financial transparency in hurricane recovery by requiring the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to make information about Federal contracts publicly available. **Page S3859**

Coburn (for Obama/Coburn) Amendment No. 3697, to improve transparency and accountability by establishing a Chief Financial Officer to oversee hurricane relief and recovery efforts. **Page S3859**

Menendez Amendment No. 3675, to provide additional appropriations for research, development, acquisition, and operations by the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, for the purchase of container inspection equipment for developing countries, for the implementation of the Transportation Worker Identification Credential program, and for the training of Customs and Border Protection officials on the use of new technologies. **Page S3859**

Murray (for Harkin) Amendment No. 3714, to increase by \$8,500,000 the amount appropriated for Economic Support Fund assistance, to provide that such funds shall be made available to the United States Institute of Peace for programs in Iraq and Afghanistan, and to provide an offset. **Page S3859**

Conrad/Clinton Amendment No. 3715, to offset the costs of defense spending in the supplemental appropriation. **Page S3859**

Levin Amendment No. 3710, to require reports on policy and political developments in Iraq. **Page S3859**

Schumer/Reid Amendment No. 3723, to appropriate funds to address price gouging and market manipulation and to provide for a report on oil industry mergers. **Page S3859**

Schumer Amendment No. 3724, to improve maritime container security. **Page S3859**

Murray (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 3716, to provide funds to promote democracy in Iraq. **Page S3859**

Murray (for Kennedy) Modified Amendment No. 3688, to provide funding to compensate individuals harmed by pandemic influenza vaccine. **Page S3859**

Cornyn Amendment No. 3722, to provide for immigration injunction reform. **Page S3859**

Cornyn Amendment No. 3699, to establish a floor to ensure that States that contain areas that were adversely affected as a result of damage from the 2005

hurricane season receive at least 3.5 percent of funds set aside for the CDBG program. **Page S3859**

Cornyn Amendment No. 3672, to require that the Secretary of Labor give priority for national emergency grants to States that assist individuals displaced by Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. **Page S3859**

Murray (for Byrd) Amendment No. 3708, to provide additional amounts for emergency management performance grants. **Page S3859**

Thune Amendment No. 3704, to provide, with an offset, \$20,000,000 for the Department of Veterans Affairs for Medical Facilities. **Pages S3873–74**

Menendez Amendment No. 3777, to fund a United Nations Peacekeeping force in Darfur and to address the shortfall in the United States Contributions to the United Nations for international peacekeeping missions in 13 countries. **Pages S3886–88**

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

By 92 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 103), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Pages S3859–60**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, May 3, 2006, with 1 hour for debate, followed by a vote on Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XIX), listed above, with no amendments in order to the division prior to the vote; provided further, that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the time consumed in the adjournment count against the 30 hours for consideration of the measure under rule XXII. **Page S3930**

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

Sheila C. Bair, of Kansas, to be Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for a term of five years.

Sheila C. Bair, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for a term expiring July 15, 2013.

Sheila C. Bair, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for the remainder of the term expiring July 15, 2007. **Page S3931**

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**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—106) Pages S3859–60, S3862–63, S3869, S3880

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 3, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3930.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### FARM BILL: PEANUT PROVISIONS

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the implementation of the peanut provisions of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, after receiving testimony from Floyd Gaibler, Deputy Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm and Foreign Agriculture Services; Stanley M. Fletcher, University of Georgia, Griffin, on behalf of the National Center for Peanut Competitiveness; Evans J. Plowden, Jr., American Peanut Shellers Association, Inc., Albany, Georgia; and Gary Rasor, American Peanut Product Manufacturers, Inc., Rittman, Ohio.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007.

### LINE-ITEM RESCISSION AUTHORITY

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2381, to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide line-item rescission authority, after receiving testimony from Senator Byrd; Austin Smythe, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Management and Budget; Donald B. Marron, Acting Director, Congressional Budget Office; Louis Fisher, Specialist at the Law Library, Library of Congress; and Charles J. Cooper, Cooper and Kirk, PLLC, Washington, D.C.

### BUDGET: NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science and Space concluded a hearing to examine fiscal year 2007 budget request, programs and science priorities of the National Science Foundation, after receiving testimony from Arden L. Bement, Jr., Director, National Science Foundation; Warren M. Washington, Chairman, National Science Board; Alan I. Leshner, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Washington, D.C.; and Jerome D. Odom, University of South Carolina Foundations, Columbia, on behalf of EPSCoR/IDeA Foundation.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2459, to improve cargo security, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 2066, to amend title 40, United States Code, to establish a Federal Acquisition Service, to replace the General Supply Fund and the Information Technology Fund with an Acquisition Services Fund, with amendments;

An original resolution thanking Joyce Rechtschaffen for her service to the Senate and to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; and

The nominations of Uttam Dhillon, of California, to be Director of the Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, and Mark D. Acton, of Kentucky, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission.

Also, committee approved a committee report entitled "Hurricane Katrina: A Nation Still Unprepared."

### FBI OVERSIGHT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee held an oversight hearing to examine the current state of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), focusing on the National Security Branch, human resources, and the Trilogy Project information technology system