

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6025–S6098

Measures Introduced: Two bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3535–3536 and S. Res. 515–516. **Page S6061**

Measures Reported:

S. 1509, to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to add non-human primates to the definition of prohibited wildlife species. (S. Rept. No. 109–263) **Page S6061**

Measures Passed:

Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 2012, to authorize appropriations to the Secretary of Commerce for the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act for fiscal years 2006 through 2012, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Warner (for Stevens) Amendment No. 4310, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6043**

Recognizing Juneteenth Independence Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 516, recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day and expressing the sense of the Senate that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future. **Page S6097**

Interstate Highway System Anniversary: Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 372, recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Interstate Highway System, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6097**

National Defense Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6051–52**

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 4241, to name the Act after John Warner, a Senator from Virginia. **Page S6051**

Nelson (FL)/Menendez Amendment No. 4265, to express the sense of Congress that the Government of Iraq should not grant amnesty to persons known to have attacked, killed, or wounded members of the Armed Forces of the United States. **Page S6051**

McConnell Amendment No. 4272, to commend the Iraqi Government for affirming its positions of no amnesty for terrorists who have attacked U.S. forces. **Page S6051**

Dorgan Amendment No. 4292, to establish a special committee of the Senate to investigate the awarding and carrying out of contracts to conduct activities in Afghanistan and Iraq and to fight the war on terrorism. **Page S6051**

Kennedy Amendment No. 4322, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage. **Page S6051**

Frist Amendment No. 4323 (to Amendment No. 4322), to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions. **Pages S6051–52**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, June 20, 2006, and that Senator Reed be recognized to speak for up to 20 minutes. **Pages S6097–98**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the notification of the issuance of an Executive Order blocking the property of persons in connection with the situation in Belarus; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM—50) **Pages S6059–60**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of weapons-usable fissile material in the

territory of the Russian Federation; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM—51) **Page S6060**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 81 yeas (Vote No. EX. 175), Sandra Segal Ikuta, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

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Donald L. Kohn, of Virginia, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years. **Pages S6047, S6098**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Henry M. Paulson, Jr., of New York, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Measures Placed on Calendar: **Pages S6060, S6097**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—175) **Page S6054**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 6:02 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, June 20, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6098.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session and ordered favorably reported S. 3237, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Commu-

nity Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

BIOFUELS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine implementation of the Renewable Fuel Standard in the 2005 Energy Bill and the future potential of biofuels such as biodiesel, cellulosic ethanol, and E85, after receiving testimony from William Wehrum, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Michael Pacheco, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Golden, Colorado; Charles P. Carey, Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago, Illinois; Chris Standlee, Abengoa Bioenergy Corporation, Chesterfield, Missouri, on behalf of the Renewable Fuels Association; Daniel More, Morgan Stanley, New York, New York; and Joe Jobe, National Biodiesel Board, Jefferson City, Missouri.

NOMINATIONS:

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Robert D. McCallum, Jr., of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Australia, and Leslie V. Rowe, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Solomon Islands and Ambassador to the Republic of Vanuatu, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IN THE WORKPLACE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship concluded a hearing to examine the lessons learned from the immigration reform legislation of 1986 relating to enforcement in the workplace, focusing on investigation and prosecution of employers engaged in the hiring of illegal aliens, receiving testimony from Stewart Baker, Assistant Secretary for Policy, and Julie L. Myers, Assistant Secretary for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, both of the Department of Homeland Security; Martin H. Gerry, Deputy Commissioner for Disability and Income Security Programs, Social Security Administration; Richard M. Stana, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; C. Stewart Verdery, Jr., Center for Strategic and International Studies; Cecilia Munoz, National Council of La Raza, and Linda Dodd-Major, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.