

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to H.J. Res. 100, Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2007.

The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 496, Providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10941–S10976

Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 4052–4056, and S. Res. 614. **Page S10965**

Measures Passed:

Nutrition Services: Senate passed H.R. 6326, to clarify the provision of nutrition services to older Americans, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10950**

Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed H.J. Res. 100, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2007, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10954**

United States–India Peaceful Atomic Energy Cooperation Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, the Senate begin consideration of S. 3709, to exempt from certain requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 United States exports of nuclear materials, equipment, and technology to India, and to implement the United States Additional Protocol; that a managers' amendment to be agreed to by Senators Lugar, Biden, and Frist, be agreed to as original text for the purpose of further amendment; that the only other amendments in order be the following: Ensign (relative to inspection, to be considered in closed session) Reed, Levin, Obama, Dorgan (two amendments), Feingold, Boxer, Feinstein, Harkin, Bingaman (up to seven amendments), Kennedy, and Dodd; that all amendments, except Senator Feingold's, be relevant second-degree amendments and that all be

related to the subject matter of the bill; that once the bill has been amended, it be read a third time, and the Senate begin consideration of H.R. 5682, the House-passed companion, that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of S. 3709, as amended, if amended, be inserted thereof and the Senate vote on passage of H.R. 5682, as amended; provided further that following passage of the bill, the Senate insist upon its amendment, request a conference with the House, the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees, and S. 3709 be returned to the calendar. **Pages S10941–42**

Military Quality of Life and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the September 14, 2006 passage of H.R. 5385, making appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, that Hutchison (for Akaka) Amendment No. 5128, and Hutchison (for Reed) Amendment No. 5125, be further modified. **Page S10975**

Signing Authority Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that during this adjournment of the Senate, the Majority Leader, and Senator Coburn, be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions. **Page S10976**

Appointments:

MINER Act Technical Study Panel: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives, pursuant to Public Law 109–236, appointed Thomas P. Mucho, of Pennsylvania, to serve as a member of the MINER Act Technical Study Panel. **Page S10975**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Terrence W. Boyle, of North Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

William James Haynes II, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

Peter D. Keisler, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

William Gerry Myers III, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

James Edward Rogan, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Benjamin Hale Settle, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Norman Randy Smith, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Michael Brunson Wallace, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

Margaret A. Ryan, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces for the term of fifteen years to expire on the date prescribed by law.

Scott Wallace Stucky, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces for the term of fifteen years to expire on the date prescribed by law.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Navy. **Page S10976**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2:15 p.m., and adjourned at 6:32 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, November 16, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10976.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch resumed hearings to examine progress of the Capitol Visitor Center construction, receiving testimony from Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; Robert C. Hixon, Jr., Capitol Visitor Center Project Executive; and Bernard L. Ungar, Director, and Bradley M. James, Assistant Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

U.S. MILITARY OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the current situation and U.S. military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from General John P. Abizaid, USA, Commander, U.S. Central Command; David M. Satterfield, Senior Advisor to the Secretary of State and Coordinator for Iraq, Department of State; Lieutenant General Michael D. Maples, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; and General Michael V. Hayden, USAF, Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 31 routine military nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

PUERTO RICO

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the December 2005 report from the President's Task Force on Puerto Rico's status, after receiving testimony from Representative Fortúno; C. Kevin Marshall, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; and Puerto Rico Governor Aníbal Acevado-Vilá, and Ruben Berrios Martinez, Puerto Rican Independence Party, both of San Juan.

FOOD SAFETY

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine current challenges and new ideas to safeguard consumers relating to food safety, focusing on foodborne illness in general and the response to the recent outbreak of E. coli infections associated with fresh spinach, after receiving testimony from Robert E. Brackett, Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Food and Drug Administration, and Lonnie J. King, Senior Veterinarian, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and