

A motion to close further debate on the bill.

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Majority Leader, Senator Reid, be authorized to sign enrolled bills during the adjournment of the Senate.

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Record Votes: Eight record votes were taken today. (Total—135)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m. and adjourned at 8:26 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 19, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4289.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported a bill providing emergency supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2008, with amendments.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

S. 2685, to prohibit cigarette manufacturers from making claims or representations based on data derived from the cigarette testing method established by the Federal Trade Commission;

H.R. 1187, to expand the boundaries of the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and the Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary, with amendments;

S. 2281, to expand the boundaries of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve;

H.R. 1006, to amend the provisions of law relating to the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue

Assistance Grant Program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2997, to reauthorize the Maritime Administration, with amendments;

S. 2699, to require new vessels for carrying oil fuel to have double hulls, with amendments; and

The nominations of Lily Fu Claffee, of Illinois, to be General Counsel, and William J. Brennan, of Maine, to be Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, both of the Department of Commerce.

OIL SHALE RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine development of oil shale resources, after receiving testimony from Senators Hatch and Allard; C. Stephen Allred, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management; Colorado Governor Bill Ritter, Jr., Terry O'Connor, Shell Exploration and Production Company, and Steve Smith, Wilderness Society, all of Denver, Colorado; and James V. Hansen, Oil Shale Exploration Company, Farmington, Utah.

UNITED STATES–CHINA RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held a hearing to examine United States-China relations in the era of globalization, receiving testimony from John D. Negroponte, Deputy Secretary of State; Richard N. Haass, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York; and Kurt Campbell, Center for a New American Security, and Harry Harding, George Washington University, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearing recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

MEDICAL CARE IN AFTERMATH OF NUCLEAR TERRORISM

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine nuclear terrorism, focusing on providing medical care and meeting basic needs in the aftermath of an attack, after receiving testimony from Irwin Redlener, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health National Center for Disaster Preparedness, New York, New York; Ira Helfand, Physicians for Social Responsibility, Leeds, Massachusetts; and Joseph C. Becker, American Red Cross, and John Ullyot, Hill and Knowlton, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.

STATE DEPARTMENT ROLE IN ARMS CONTROL

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine the organizational structures of the Department of

State responsible for arms control, counterproliferation, and nonproliferation, focusing on the processes they have in place for optimizing national efforts, and how responsive those structures and processes are to the Executive Branch's nonproliferation and counterproliferation policies, after receiving testimony from Thomas Graham, Jr., former Acting Director, Bethesda, Maryland, and Norman A. Wulf, former Deputy Assistant Director, Nonproliferation and Arms Control, Fairfax, Virginia, both of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency; and Andrew K. Semmel, former Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Nuclear Nonproliferation Policy and Negotiations, Arlington, Virginia.

NATIVE AMERICAN ISSUES

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1080, to develop a program to acquire interests in land from eligible individuals within the Crow Reservation in the State of Montana, H.R. 2120, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to proclaim as reservation for the benefit of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians a parcel of land now held in trust by the United States for that Indian tribe, S. 2494, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam, H.R. 2963, to transfer certain land in Riverside County, California, and San Diego County, California, from the Bureau of Land Management to the United States to be held in trust for the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians, and S. 531, to repeal section 10(f) of Public Law 93-531, commonly known as the "Bennett Freeze", after receiving testimony from Jerry Gidner, Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Richard Sherwood, Spokane Tribe of Indians, Wellpinit, Washington; Carl Venne, Crow Nation, Crow Agency, Montana; Mark Macarro, Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians, Temecula, California; Aaron Payment, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians,

Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan; Benjamin H. Nuvamsa, Hopi Tribe, Kykotsmovi, Arizona; and Raymond Maxx, Navajo Nation Council, Window Rock, Arizona.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

S. 2913, to provide a limitation on judicial remedies in copyright infringement cases involving orphan works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2511, to amend the grant program for law enforcement armor vests to provide for a waiver of or reduction in the matching funds requirement in the case of fiscal hardship, with an amendment;

S. 2565, to establish an awards mechanism to honor exceptional acts of bravery in the line of duty by Federal law enforcement officers, with an amendment;

H.R. 4056, to establish an awards mechanism to honor Federal law enforcement officers injured in the line of duty, with an amendment;

S. 2774, to provide for the appointment of additional Federal circuit and district judges;

S. 1738, to establish a Special Counsel for Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction within the Office of the Deputy Attorney General, to improve the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, to increase resources for regional computer forensic labs, and to make other improvements to increase the ability of law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute predators, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1515, to establish a domestic violence volunteer attorney network to represent domestic violence victims, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2942, to authorize funding for the National Advocacy Center; and

The nomination of G. Steven Agee, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.