

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S319–S351*

**Measures Introduced:** Sixteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 215–230, S.J. Res. 5, and S. Res. 13. **Pages S337–38**

#### Measures Passed:

**Sale and Counterfeiting of Presidential Inaugural Tickets:** Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of S. 60, to prohibit the sale and counterfeiting of Presidential inaugural tickets, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S350–51**

#### Measures Considered:

**Lands Bill:** Senate continued consideration of S. 22, to designate certain land components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, to authorize certain programs and activities in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S324–33**

#### Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 15, to change the enactment date. **Page S324**

Reid Amendment No. 16 (to Reid Amendment No. 15), of a perfecting nature. **Page S324**

Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with instructions to report back forthwith, with Reid Amendment No. 17, to change the enactment date. **Page S324**

Reid Amendment No. 18 (to the instructions of the motion to recommit), of a perfecting nature. **Page S324**

Reid Amendment No. 19 (to Reid Amendment No. 18), of a perfecting nature. **Page S324**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, January 14, 2009, the time until 10:30 a.m. be equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees, and Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill; provided further, that all second-degree amendments be filed at the desk by 10 a.m., on Wednesday, January 14, 2009. **Page S351**

**Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 181, to amend title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, and to modify the operation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, to clarify that a discriminatory compensation decision or other practice that is unlawful under such Acts occurs each time compensation is paid pursuant to the discriminatory compensation decision or other practice.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, January 15, 2009.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn.

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**Executive Communications:** **Pages S336–37**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page S338**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S338–49**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:38 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 14, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S351.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### NOMINATION

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Shaun Donovan, of New York, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Peter R. Orszag, of Massachusetts, to be Director, who was introduced by Representatives Spratt and Paul Ryan, and Robert L. Nabors II, of New Jersey, to be Deputy Director, who was introduced by Representative Obey, both of the Office of Management and Budget, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

**NOMINATION**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Steven Chu, to be Secretary of Energy, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Feinstein

and Boxer, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

**NOMINATION**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Hillary R. Clinton, to be Secretary of State, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

**NOMINATION**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Arne Duncan, to be Secretary of Education, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Durbin, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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## House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 33 public bills, H.R. 2, 460–491; 1 private bill, H.R. 492; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 20; and H. Res. 50–51, 54–58, were introduced. **Pages H194–96**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H196**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed on January 3, 2009 as follows:

Legislative Review Activities of the Committee on Foreign Affairs for the 110th Congress (H. Rept. 110–939);

Report on Legislative and Oversight Activities of the House Committee on Homeland Security for the 110th Congress (H. Doc. 110–940);

Report on the Activities of the Committee on the Judiciary during the 110th Congress (H. Doc. 110–941); and

Report of the Activities of the Committee on Armed Services for the 110th Congress (H. Doc. 110–942).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 52, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2) to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to extend and improve the Childrens Health Insurance Program (H. Rept. 111–1) and

H. Res. 53, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 384) to reform the Troubled Assets Relief Program of the Secretary of the Treasury and ensure accountability under such Program (H. Rept. 111–2). **Pages H193–94**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Edwards (MD) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H169**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:55 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H169**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures:

*Supporting the goals and ideals of National Mentoring Month 2009:* H. Res. 41, to support the goals and ideals of National Mentoring Month 2009, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 411 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 11; **Pages H171–73, H182**

*Honoring the life of Claiborne Pell, distinguished former Senator from the State of Rhode Island:* H. Res. 50, to honor the life of Claiborne Pell, distinguished former Senator from the State of Rhode Island, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 12;

**Pages H173–76, H183**

*Recognizing the efforts of those who serve their communities on Martin Luther King Day and promoting the holiday as a day of national service:* H. Res. 43, to recognize the efforts of those who serve their communities on Martin Luther King Day and to promote the holiday as a day of national service, by a yea-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 13; and **Pages H176–79, H183–84**

*Authorizing and directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire whether the House should impeach G. Thomas Porteous, a judge of the United*