

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

By 34 yeas to 63 nays (Vote No. 251), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive pursuant to section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Bond Amendment No. 1904, to repeal a certain provision of the SAFETEA-LU. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment would increase mandatory spending, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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By 71 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 253), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to waive pursuant to section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to the bill. Subsequently, the point of order that the bill would provide spending in excess of the subcommittee's 302(b) allocation was not sustained.

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Bishop Museum 120th Anniversary: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 195, recognizing Bishop Museum, the Nation's premier showcase for Hawaiian culture and history, on the occasions of its 120th anniversary and the restoration and renovation of its Historic Hall, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Measures Considered:

Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration Appropriations Act: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2997, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following amendments proposed there-to:

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Pending:

Kohl/Brownback Amendment No. 1908, in the nature of a substitute.

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Kohl (for Tester) Amendment No. 2230 (to Amendment No. 1908), to clarify a provision relating to funding for a National Animal Identification Program.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Friday, July 31, 2009.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the actions of certain persons to undermine the sovereignty of Lebanon or its democratic proc-

esses and institutions; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–28)

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—254) Pages S8528–29, S8529, S8530, S8531, S8532

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:12 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, July 31, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8618.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

H.R. 3293, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of John M.

McHugh, of New York, to be Secretary of the Army, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, Joseph W. Westphal, of New York, to be Under Secretary of the Army, who was introduced by Senator Collins, and Juan M. Garcia III, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, who was introduced by Senators Hutchison and Cornyn, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

ECONOMIC SANCTIONS ON IRAN

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine minimizing potential threats from Iran, focusing on assessing economic sanctions and other United States policy options, after receiving testimony from Senator Lieberman; Nicholas Burns, Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Matthew Levitt, Washington Institution for Near East Policy, Suzanne Maloney, Brookings Institution, and Danielle Pletka, American Enterprise Institute, all of Washington, D.C.

CLIMATE SERVICES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine climate services, focusing on solutions from commerce to communities, after receiving testimony from Gary F. Locke, Secretary of Commerce; and John P. Holdren, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President.

CLIMATE CHANGE AND NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine climate change and national security, after receiving testimony from former Senator John Warner; Vice Admi-

ral Dennis McGinn, USN (Ret.), CNA Military Advisory Board, Alexandria, VA; Jonathan Powers, Truman National Security Project, and David B. Rivkin, Jr., Baker & Hostetler LLP, both of Washington, D.C.

STRATEGY FOR SUDAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a comprehensive strategy for Sudan, after receiving testimony Major General Jonathan S. Gration, USAF (Ret.), The President's Special Envoy to Sudan, Department of State; Earl Gast, Acting Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, United States Agency for International Development; and David H. Shinn, George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs, Mohammed Ahmed Eisa, Sudan Organization for Rights and Peace-Building, and Susan D. Page, National Democratic Institute, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1507, to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to reform Postal Service retiree health benefits funding, with amendments.

GANG ACTIVITY IN INDIAN COUNTRY

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the increase of gang activity in Indian country, after receiving testimony from John Mousseau, Paul Forney, and Paul Iron Cloud, all of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota; Brian Nissen, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Nespelem, Washington; Sampson Cowboy, Navajo Nation Department of Public Safety, Window Rock, Arizona; Chief Carmen Smith, and William Elliott, both of the Warm Springs Tribal Police Department, Warm Springs, Oregon.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 36 public bills, H.R. 3399–3434; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 172–173; and H.Res. 696, 698–702 were introduced. **Pages H9204–06**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H9206–08**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:
H.R. 3269, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide shareholders with an advisory

vote on executive compensation and to prevent perverse incentives in the compensation practices of financial institutions, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–236);

H. Res. 697, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3269) to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide shareholders with an advisory vote on executive compensation and to prevent perverse incentives in the compensation practices of financial institutions (H. Rept. 111–237);