

Amendment No. 3299), to rescind \$120 billion in Federal spending by consolidating duplicative government programs, cutting wasteful Washington spending, and returning billions of dollars of unspent money. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the division, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, be withdrawn).

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Pending:

Baucus (for Reid) Amendment No. 3299, in the nature of a substitute.

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Reid Amendment No. 3305 (to Amendment No. 3299), to reimpose statutory pay-as-you-go.

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Sessions Amendment No. 3308 (to Amendment No. 3299), to reduce the deficit by establishing 5-year discretionary spending caps.

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Brownback Amendment No. 3309 (to Amendment No. 3299), to establish a Commission on Congressional Budgetary Accountability and Review of Federal Agencies.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that on Thursday, January 28, 2010, at approximately 9:30 a.m., Senate resume consideration of the resolution, with one hour for debate equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders or their designees, with Senator Sanders controlling 15 minutes of the majority time, prior to the first vote; that no further debate be in order except as provided for in this agreement; that prior to each of the following votes with respect to the resolution, there be 4 minutes of debate, equally divided and controlled in the usual form; Brownback No. 3309 (to Amendment No. 3299) (listed above); Sessions Amendment No. 3308 (to Amendment No. 3299) (listed above); Reid Amendment No. 3305 (to Amendment No. 3299) (listed above); Baucus (for Reid) Amendment No. 3299 (listed above); and passage of the resolution; provided further, that the cloture motions filed with respect to the resolution, be withdrawn; with the vote threshold requirement still in effect as provided in the order of December 22, 2009.

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Bernanke Nomination—Agreement: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Ben S. Bernanke, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Federal Reserve System.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination 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 28, 2010.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that upon disposition of H.J. Res. 45, in-

creasing the statutory limit on the public debt, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Ben S. Bernanke, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Federal Reserve System, and there be 60 minutes of debate prior to the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Elisabeth Ann Hagen, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food Safety.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, and Navy.

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—9)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned, in accordance with S. Res. 397, at 9:02 p.m., until 8:20 p.m. on Wednesday, January 27, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S261.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael Peter Huerta, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, who was introduced by Senators Boxer and Hatch, and David T. Matsuda, of the District of Columbia, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, who was introduced by Senator Lautenberg, both of the Department of Transportation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

INTELLIGENCE REFORM

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee resumed hearings to examine intelligence reform focusing on the lessons and implications of the attack on flight 253 on December 25, 2009, after receiving testimony from former New Jersey Governor Tom Kean, and former Representa-

tive Lee Hamilton, both of the Bipartisan Policy Center's National Security Preparedness Group.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 4502–4525; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 72; H. Con. Res. 230–232; and H. Res. 1037, 1039–1040 were introduced. **Pages H386–87**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H387–88**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1038, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3726) to establish the Castle Nugent National Historic Site at St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands, and for other purposes; and for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4474) to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 111–401). **Page H353**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Larsen (WA) to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H333**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:51 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H336**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Monsignor Stephen J. Rossetti, Catholic University of America. **Page H336**

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

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Lester Flatt has made an invaluable contribution to American art as both a songwriter and a performer, leaving an indelible legacy in bluegrass music: H. Res. 583, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that Lester Flatt has made an invaluable contribution to American art as both a songwriter and a performer, leaving an indelible legacy in bluegrass music;

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Expressing support for designation of January 2010 as “National Mentoring Month”: H. Res. 990, to express support for designation of January 2010 as “National Mentoring Month”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeand-nay vote of 398 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 17; **Pages H339–41, H353–54**

Congratulating Messiah College men’s and women’s soccer teams on winning the 2009 NCAA Division III national championships: H. Res. 1030, to congratulate Messiah College men’s and women’s soccer teams on winning the 2009 NCAA Division III national championships; **Pages H341–42**

Expressing support for designation of the week of February 1 through February 5, 2010, as “National School Counseling Week”: H. Res. 1029, to express support for designation of the week of February 1 through February 5, 2010, as “National School Counseling Week”; **Pages H342–44**

Recognizing the importance of cervical health and of detecting cervical cancer during its earliest stages and supporting the goals and ideals of Cervical Health Awareness Month: H. Res. 1011, to recognize the importance of cervical health and of detecting cervical cancer during its earliest stages and to support the goals and ideals of Cervical Health Awareness Month, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeand-nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 18; **Pages H344–45, H354**

Expressing support for the designation of January 10, 2010, through January 16, 2010, as National Influenza Vaccination Week: H. Res. 1003, amended, to express support for the designation of January 10, 2010, through January 16, 2010, as National Influenza Vaccination Week, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeand-nay vote of 398 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 19; **Pages H345–48, H354–55**

Emergency Aid to American Survivors of the Haiti Earthquake Act: S. 2949, to amend section 1113 of the Social Security Act to provide authority