

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 1586, Tax on Bonuses Received from Certain TARP Recipients, as amended.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1783–S1817

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3146–3152, and S. Res. 463–464. **Pages S1812–13**

Measures Reported:

S. 479, to amend the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998 to provide for the continuing authorization of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network. (S. Rept. No. 111–164)

S. 690, to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act. (S. Rept. No. 111–165)

H.R. 1741, to require the Attorney General to make competitive grants to eligible State, tribal, and local governments to establish and maintain certain protection and witness assistance programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1376, to restore immunization and sibling age exemptions for children adopted by United States citizens under the Hague Convention on Inter-country Adoption to allow their admission to the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2772, to establish a criminal justice reinvestment grant program to help States and local jurisdictions reduce spending on corrections, control growth in the prison and jail populations, and increase public safety, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1812**

Measures Passed:

Tax on Bonuses Received from Certain TARP Recipients: By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. 61), Senate passed H.R. 1586, to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide for modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal

Aviation Administration, as amended, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1790–S1810**

Adopted:

Rockefeller (for Reid) Amendment No. 3469 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey to Clark County, Nevada, certain public land for the development of flood mitigation infrastructure for the Southern Nevada Supplemental Airport in the State of Nevada. **Pages S1805–06**

Rockefeller (for Warner) Amendment No. 3488 (to Amendment No. 3452), to allow aircraft owners and operators to accept reimbursement for voluntary medical transportation. **Page S1806**

Rockefeller (for Begich/Murkowski) Amendment No. 3492 (to Amendment No. 3452), to provide a limited exemption from compliance with FAA and PHMSA standards for the air transportation within Alaska of cylinders of compressed oxygen, nitrous oxide, or other oxidizing gases without regard to the end use of the cylinders. **Page S1806**

Rockefeller (for Wicker) Amendment No. 3494 (to Amendment No. 3452), to correct an error related to Amtrak security in the enrollment of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010. **Page S1806**

Rockefeller (for Cantwell) Amendment No. 3511 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require a semiannual report on the status of the Greener Skies project. **Page S1806**

Rockefeller (for Nelson (FL)) Modified Amendment No. 3479 (to Amendment No. 3452), to allow for the simultaneous inclusion of more than one General Aviation airport in the Military Airport Program. **Pages S1806, S1809–10**

Rockefeller (for Durbin) Modified Amendment No. 3483 (to Amendment No. 3452), to authorize the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to make a grant to develop best practices and

metrics with respect to the sustainable design, construction, planning, maintenance, and operation of airports. **Pages S1806–07**

Rockefeller (for Menendez/Schumer) Modified Amendment No. 3506 (to Amendment No. 3452), to ensure that all consumers are able to easily and fairly compare airfares and other costs applicable to tickets for air transportation, including all taxes and fees. **Page S1807**

Rockefeller (for Feingold) Modified Amendment No. 3514 (to Amendment No. 3452), to include the modernization, renovation, and repairs of buildings to meet the criteria for being high-performance green buildings as airport development. **Page S1807**

Rockefeller (for Murkowski) Modified Amendment No. 3520 (to Amendment No. 3452), to develop a monitoring system for flight service specialist staffing and training under service contracts for flight service stations. **Page S1807**

Rockefeller (for Coburn) Modified Amendment No. 3538 (to Amendment No. 3452), to conduct audits of certain small airports to analyze the accrual of annual passenger enplanements and to modify the method for apportioning amounts to airports for airport improvements. **Page S1807**

Hutchison/Rockefeller Amendment No. 3543 (to Amendment No. 3452), to authorize the FAA to provide financial assistance for NextGen equipage of aircraft. **Page S1807**

Rockefeller (for McCain) Modified Amendment No. 3527 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to develop a financing proposal for fully funding the development and implementation of technology for the Next Generation Air Transportation System. **Pages S1790, S1805, S1807**

Rockefeller (for Feinstein) Modified Amendment No. 3541 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct a study of air quality in aircraft cabins. **Pages S1807–08**

Rockefeller (for Coburn) Modified Amendment No. 3539 (to Amendment No. 3452), to apportion amounts to airports for airport improvements in proportion to the amounts of air traffic at the airports and to limit aggregate apportionments to the aggregate amount apportioned for fiscal year 2009. **Page S1808**

Rockefeller (for Coburn) Amendment No. 3532 (to Amendment No. 3452), to set the fee to be paid by commercial air tour operators that conduct commercial air tour operations over a national park at an amount sufficient to offset all of the costs incurred by the Federal Government to develop air tour management plans for national parks. **Page S1808**

Rockefeller (for Cantwell) Modified Amendment No. 3525 (to Amendment No. 3452), to require the Secretary of Transportation and the Secretary of Commerce to develop a plan for flying scientific instruments on commercial flights. **Page S1808**

Rockefeller (for Wyden/Merkley) Modified Amendment No. 3534 (to Amendment No. 3452), to amend section 40128 of title 49, United States Code, relating to air tour management plans at national parks. **Pages S1808–09**

Rockefeller Amendment No. 3452, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1790**

Rockefeller/Hutchison Amendment No. 3555, to amend the title. **Page S1809**

Withdrawn:

McCain Amendment No. 3528 (to Amendment No. 3452), to provide standards for determining whether the substantial restoration of the natural quiet and experience of the Grand Canyon National Park has been achieved and to clarify regulatory authority with respect to commercial air tours operating over the Park. **Pages S1790–98**

Hutchison (for Ensign) Modified Amendment No. 3476 (to Amendment No. 3452), to enhance air travel opportunities to and from the National Capital. **Pages S1798–S1805**

Recognizing Cultural and Historical Significance of Nowruz: Senate agreed to S. Res. 463, recognizing the cultural and historical significance of Nowruz, expressing appreciation to Iranian-Americans for their contributions to society, and wishing Iranian-Americans and the people of Iran a prosperous new year. **Page S1816**

189th Anniversary of Independence of Greece: Senate agreed to S. Res. 464, recognizing the 189th anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating Greek and American democracy. **Pages S1816–17**

Messages From the House: **Page S1812**

Measures Referred: **Page S1812**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S1813–14**

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S1816**

Privileges of the Floor: **Page S1816**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—61) **Page S1808**

Recess: Senate convened at 2:01 p.m. and recessed at 6:33 p.m., until 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, March 23,

2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1817.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled, "Restoring American Financial Stability Act of 2010", with amendments.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 4900–4912; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 256 was introduced. **Page H2215**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2215–16**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1879, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for employment and reemployment rights for certain individuals ordered to full-time National Guard duty, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–450);

H.R. 4810, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the services provided for homeless veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (H. Rept. 111–449);

H.R. 3976, to extend certain expiring provisions providing enhanced protections for servicemembers relating to mortgages and mortgage foreclosure, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–451);

H.R. 4667, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2010, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans (H. Rept. 111–452);

H.R. 4592 to provide for the establishment of a pilot program to encourage the employment of veterans in energy-related positions, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–453);

H. Res. 1204, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4899) making emergency supplemental appropriations for disaster relief and summer jobs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–454); and

H. Res. 1205, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4849) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small

business job creation, extend the Build America Bonds program, and provide other infrastructure job creation tax incentives (H. Rept. 111–455). **Page H2215**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Ann Kirkpatrick to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2175**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:41 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H2176**

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

End Veteran Homelessness Act of 2010: H.R. 4810, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the services provided for homeless veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 170; and **Pages H2178–80, H2189**

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2010: H.R. 4667, to increase effective as of December 1, 2010, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 407 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 171. **Pages H2184–85, H2190**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:15 p.m. and reconvened at 6:33 p.m. **Page H2188**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of Fred Heineman, former Member of Congress. **Pages H2189–90**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

National Guard Employment Protection Act of 2009: H.R. 1879, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for employment and