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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—208) Pages S5880, S5932–33, S5933

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:33 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 19, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5976.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DISPERSANTS USED IN OIL SPILL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine the use of dispersants in response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, after receiving testimony from Larry Robinson, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Lisa Jackson, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Anne Rolfes, Louisiana Bucket Brigade, New Orleans; and Kenneth A. Cook, Environmental Working Group, Washington, D.C.

APPROPRIATIONS: MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, AND AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill making appropriations for the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs for fiscal year ending September 30, 2011;

An original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year ending September 30, 2011;

An original bill making appropriations for the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for fiscal year ending September 30, 2011; and

The fiscal year 2011 302(b) Allocations.

NEW START TREATY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine sustaining nuclear weapons under the New START, after receiving testimony from Michael R. Anastasio, Laboratory Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory, George H. Miller, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, and Paul J. Hommert, President and Director, Sandia National Laboratories, all of the Department of Energy; and Roy Schwitters, University of Texas, Austin.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Janet L. Yellen, of California, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, who was introduced by Senator Feinstein, Peter A. Diamond, of Massachusetts, Sarah Bloom Raskin, of Maryland, who was introduced by Senator Cardin and former Senator Paul Sarbanes, all to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Osvaldo Luis Gratacós Munet, of Puerto Rico, to be Inspector General, Export-Import Bank, and Steve A. Linick, of Virginia, to be Inspector General of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTING

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing with the Task Force on Government Performance to examine responsible contracting, focusing on modernizing the business of government, after receiving testimony from Daniel I. Gordon, Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, Office of Management and Budget; Shay D. Assad, Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics; Allison Stanger, Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont; and James Jay Carafano, The Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

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

S. 3304, to increase the access of persons with disabilities to modern communications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3566, to authorize certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

An original bill entitled the NASA Authorization Act of 2011; and

A promotion list in the United States Coast Guard.

PROTECTING YOUTHS IN AN ONLINE WORLD

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine protecting youths in an online world, after receiving testimony from Jessica Rich, Deputy Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Hemanshu Nigam, Online Safety Technology Working Group, Beverly Hills, California; Jeff McIntyre, Children Now, Oakland, California; Michelle Collins, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Alexandria, Virginia; and K. Dane Snowden, CTIA—The Wireless Association, Washington, D.C.

WORKING DURING RETIREMENT

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine choosing to work during retirement and the impact on Social Security, after receiving testimony from Stephen C. Goss, Chief Actuary, Social Security Administration; Marc Freedman, Civic Ventures, San Francisco, California; Marcia Brown, National Center for Appropriate Technology, Butte, Montana; Nicole Maestas, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, California; and Bonnie P. Shelor, Bon Secours Virginia Health System, Richmond, Virginia.

NEW START TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued hearings to examine Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, signed in Prague on April 8, 2010, with Protocol (Treaty Doc. 111–05), focusing on maintaining a safe, secure and effective nuclear arsenal, after receiving testimony from Michael R. Anastasio, Laboratory Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory, George H. Miller, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, and Paul J.

Hommert, President and Director, Sandia National Laboratories, all of the Department of Energy.

MEDICARE PAYMENT ERRORS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine preventing and recovering Medicare payment errors, after receiving testimony from Kathleen M. King, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; Deborah Taylor, Chief Financial Officer and Director, Office of Financial Management, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, and Robert Vito, Acting Assistant Inspector General, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Audits, Office of Inspector General, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Libby Alexander, Connolly, Inc., San Francisco, California; Lisa Im, Performant Financial Corporation, Newport, California; Andrea Benko, Health Data Insights, Las Vegas, Nevada; Robert Rolf, CGI Federal, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio; and Romil Bahl, PRGX Global, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia.

AMERICANS AND INFORMED FINANCIAL DECISIONS

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 Federal government's role in empowering Americans to make informed financial decisions, after receiving testimony from Michael Barr, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Christine M. Griffin, Deputy Director, Office of Personnel Management; Brenda Dann-Messier, Assistant Secretary of Education for Vocational and Adult Education; Marianna LaCanfora, Assistant Deputy Commissioner for Retirement and Disability Policy, Social Security Administration; Sandra L. Thompson, Director, Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Lynne Egan, Montana Deputy Securities Commissioner, Helena; and Barbara Roper, Consumer Federation of America, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Mary Helen Murguia, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, who was introduced by Senator Kyl, Edmond E—Min Chang, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, who was introduced by Senator Durbin, Leslie E. Kobayashi, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii, who was introduced by Senator Inouye, Denise Jefferson Casper, to be United

States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, who was introduced by Senators Kerry and Brown (MA), and Carlton W. Reeves, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, who was introduced by Senators Cochran and Wicker, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Senate Impeachment Trial Committee: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

To authorize Senate Legal Counsel to seek two immunity resolutions for testimony;

To adopt a rule delegating authority to the Chair and Vice Chair to issue subpoenas; and

To adopt a rule for a quorum of one for pretrial testimony.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 5741–5768; and 15 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 297–298; and H. Res. 1520–1532 were introduced. **Pages H5674–76**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5676–77**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1455, directing the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of certain communications relating to certain recommendations regarding administration appointments; adversely (H. Rept. 111–538);

H.R. 5301, to extend the period during which the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and States are prohibited from requiring a permit under section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act for certain discharges that are incidental to normal operation of vessels (H. Rept. 111–539);

H.R. 5545, to deauthorize a portion of the project for navigation, Potomac River, Washington Channel, District of Columbia, under the jurisdiction of the Corps of Engineers (H. Rept. 111–540);

H. Con. Res. 258, congratulating the Commandant of the Coast Guard and the Superintendent of the Coast Guard Academy and its staff for 100 years of operation of the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut (H. Rept. 111–541);

H. Res. 1366, recognizing and honoring the freight rail industry, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–542);

H. Res. 1401, expressing gratitude for the contributions that the air traffic controllers of the United States make to keep the traveling public safe and the airspace of the United States running efficiently, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–543);

H. Res. 1463, supporting the goals and ideals of Railroad Retirement Day (H. Rept. 111–544);

Report of the Joint Economic Committee on the 2010 Economic Report of the President (H. Rept. 111–545);

H.R. 5604, to rescind amounts authorized for certain surface transportation programs (H. Rept. 111–546); and

H.R. 569, to amend titles 28 and 10, United States Code, to allow for certiorari review of certain cases denied relief or review by the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–547). **Page H5674**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Rev. Dr. John Cross, South Biscayne Church, North Port, Florida. **Page H5619**

Flood Insurance Reform Priorities Act of 2010: The House passed H.R. 5114, to extend the authorization for the national flood insurance program and to identify priorities essential to reform and ongoing stable functioning of the program, by a recorded vote of 329 ayes to 90 noes, Roll No. 447.

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Rejected the Hensarling motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 191 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 446. **Pages H5653–55**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H5636**

Agreed to:

Waters managers amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that (1) phases out subsidized