

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S637–S650

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 312–326, and S. Res. 47–48. **Pages S642–43**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating the Green Bay Packers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 48, congratulating the Green Bay Packers on winning Super Bowl XLV. **Page S650**

FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 2 p.m., on Monday, February 14, 2011, Senate resume consideration of S. 223, to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration. **Page S650**

Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 4:30 p.m., on Monday, February 14, 2011, Senate begin consideration of the nominations of James E. Graves, Jr., of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, and Edward J. Davila, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California; that there be one

hour for debate equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations of James E. Graves, Jr., of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, and Edward J. Davila, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, in that order, without intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations. **Page S650**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 4 p.m. and adjourned at 5:05 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 14, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S650.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 53 public bills, H.R. 11, 601–652; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 82–85, were introduced. **Pages H678–81**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H684**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Chaffetz to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H603**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:34 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H610**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Cardinal Donald Wuerl, Archdiocese of Washington, Washington DC. **Page H610**

Communication from Parliamentarian: Read a communication from John V. Sullivan, House Parliamentarian, stating that a facsimile of a letter of resignation submitted by Representative Christopher J. Lee (NY) to the pertinent Executive authority in the State of New York was received in the Capitol on February 9, 2011. The facsimile previously laid before the House was addressed to the Governor rather than to the Secretary of State. This document rounds out the papers of the House on the matter of Representative Lee's resignation. **Page H610**

Extending expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 79, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 514, to extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 and Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 relating to access to business records, individual terrorists as agents of foreign powers, and roving wiretaps until December 8, 2011, by a yea-and-nay vote of 248 yeas to 176 nays, Roll No. 29, after the previous question was ordered without objection. **Pages H621–31**

Directing certain standing committees to inventory and review existing, pending, and proposed regulations and orders from agencies of the Federal Government: The House began consideration of H. Res. 72, to direct certain standing committees to inventory and review existing, pending, and proposed regulations and orders from agencies of the Federal Government, particularly with respect to their effect on jobs and economic growth. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, February 11th. **Pages H632–73**

H. Res. 73, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 255 yeas to 169 nays, Roll No. 31, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 180 nays, Roll No. 30.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H630–31, H631, and H632. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DODD-FRANK WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review Implementation of title VII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Testi-

mony was heard from Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and public witnesses. Prior to the hearing, the Committee met for organizational purposes.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held an oversight hearing on the NSF and NASA. Testimony was heard from Allison C. Lerner, Inspector General, NSF; and Paul K. Martin, Inspector General, NASA.

FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a hearing on the SEC. Testimony was heard from H. David Kotz, Inspector General, SEC.

MILITARY RESALE PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel hearing on military resale programs overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert L. Gordon, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Military Community and Family Policy; MG. Bruce A. Casella, USAR Commander, Army and Air Force Exchange Service; RADM (Select) Glenn C. Robillard, USN Commander, Navy Exchange Service Commission; Joseph H. Jeu, Director and Chief Executive Officer, Defense Commissary Agency; Timothy R. Larsen, Director, Personal and Family Readiness Division, Manpower and Reserve Affairs Department, Headquarters, USMC; and public witnesses.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE'S BUDGET AND ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Congressional Budget Office's Budget and Economic Outlook. Testimony was heard from Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

EDUCATION IN THE NATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on "Education in the Nation: Examining the Challenges and Opportunities Facing America's Classrooms." Testimony was heard from Tony Bennett, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Department of Education, State of Indiana; and public witnesses.

ARRA BROADBAND SPENDING

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled "ARRA Broadband Spending." Testimony was

heard from Todd Zinser, Inspector General, Department of Commerce; Phyllis K. Fong, Inspector General, Department of Agriculture; Mark Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

EFFECTS OF MIDDLE EAST EVENTS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing entitled “The Effects of Middle East Events on U.S. Energy Markets.” Testimony was heard from Richard G. Newell, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; Gary Mar, Minister-Counselor, Province of Alberta, Canada, to the United States; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Financial Services: Approved its Oversight Plan for the 112th Congress.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN EGYPT AND LEBANON

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on Recent Developments in Egypt and Lebanon: Implications for U.S. Policy and Allies in the Broader Middle East. Testimony was heard from James B. Steinberg, Deputy Secretary, Department of State.

TERRORISM AND TRANSPORTATION SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation Security held a hearing entitled “Terrorism and Transportation Security.” Testimony was heard from John S. Pistole, Administrator, TSA, Department of Homeland Security.

REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 2011

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the Regulatory Flexibility Improvements Act of 2011—Unleashing Small Businesses to Create Jobs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

E-VERIFYING—PRESERVING JOBS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement held a hearing on E-Verify—Preserving Jobs for American Workers. Testimony was heard from Theresa Bertucci, Associate Director, Enterprise Services Directorate, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security and Richard M. Stana, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, GAO.

REGULATORY IMPLEMENTS TO JOB CREATION; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing on Regulatory Impediments to Job Creation. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

The Committee also approved its Oversight Plan for the 112th Congress.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Met for organizational purposes. The Committee approved its Oversight Plan for the 112th Congress.

IMPACT OF HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing to examine what impact the health care overhaul will have on Medicare and Medicare beneficiaries. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services: Donald M. Berwick, M.D., Administrator; and Richard S. Foster, Chief Actuary.

EFFORTS TO HELP UNEMPLOYED AMERICANS; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on improving efforts to help unemployed Americans find jobs. Testimony was heard from Kristen Cox, Executive Director, Workforce Services, State of Utah; Tom Pauken, Chairman, Workforce Commission, State of Texas; and public witnesses.

Prior to the hearing, the Subcommittee met for organizational purposes.

WORLD THREATS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Held a hearing on World Threats. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence: James R. Clapper, Director; and Michael E. Leiter, Director, National Counterterrorism Center; Caryn A. Wagner, Under Secretary, Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security; Robert S. Mueller III, Director, FBI; Leon E. Panetta, Director, CIA; Phillip S. Goldberg, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Department of State; LTG Ronald L. Burgess, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; and Thomas A. Ferguson, Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Intelligence, Department of Defense.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 11, 2011**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on Assessment of Reentry Initiatives, Recidivism and Corrections Spending, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on the Postal Service, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing on What Should the Department of Defense's Role in Cyber Be? 11:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, hearing on Emerging Trends at the National Labor Relations Board, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Tech-

nologies, hearing entitled "Preventing Chemical Terrorism: Building a Foundation of Security At Our Nation's Chemical Facilities," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition, and the Internet, hearing on Crossing the Finish Line on Patent Reform: What Can and Should be Done, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider the Committee Oversight Plan for the 112th Congress, 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation and the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, joint hearing on Improving Oil Spill Prevention and Response, Restoring Jobs, and Ensuring our Energy Security: Recommendations from the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social Security and the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, joint oversight hearing on Managing Costs and Mitigating Delays in the Building of Social Security's New National Computer Center, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, February 14

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, February 11

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of S. 223, FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act. At 4:30 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nominations of James E. Graves, Jr., of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, and Edward J. Davila, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, with a voice vote on confirmation of the nomination of James E. Graves, Jr., of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, and a roll call vote on confirmation of the nomination of Edward J. Davila, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Complete consideration of H. Res. 72—Directing certain standing committees to inventory and review existing, pending, and proposed regulations and orders from agencies of the Federal Government.

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