

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 679, Presidential Appointment Efficiency and Streamlining Act, as amended.

Senate agreed to S. Res. 116, Expedited Senate Consideration of Certain Nominations, as amended.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4165–S4241

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1292–1304, S.J. Res. 23, and S. Res. 218–222. **Pages S4225–26**

Measures Reported:

S.J. Res. 20, authorizing the limited use of the United States Armed Forces in support of the NATO mission in Libya, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 112–27)

S. 550, to improve the provision of assistance to fire departments, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–28) **Page S4221**

Measures Passed:

Presidential Appointment Efficiency and Streamlining Act: By 79 yeas to 20 nays (Vote No. 101) Senate passed S. 679, to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation, by the order of the Senate of Wednesday, June 22, 2011, 60 Senators having voted in the affirmative, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4174–81**

Adopted:

Portman Modified Amendment No. 509, to strike the provisions relating to the Assistant Secretary (Comptroller) of the Navy, the Assistant Secretary (Comptroller) of the Army, and the Assistant Secretary (Comptroller) of the Air Force, the chief financial officer positions, and the Controller of the Office of Management and Budget. **Pages S4174, S4176**

Toomey/Vitter Amendment No. 514, to strike the provision relating to the Governors and alternate governors of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment be considered

as having been adopted before the managers' amendment to the bill.) **Pages S4174, S4176, S4191–92**

Rejected:

By 44 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 99), DeMint Amendment No. 501, to repeal the authority to provide certain loans to the International Monetary Fund, the increase in the United States quota to the Fund, and certain other related authorities, and rescind related appropriated amounts. (By the order of the Senate of Wednesday, June 22, 2011, the amendment having failed to achieve 60 votes in the affirmative, the amendment was not agreed to.)

Pages S4174, S4175–76

By 25 yeas to 74 nays (Vote No. 100), DeMint Amendment No. 511, to enhance accountability and transparency among various Executive agencies.

Pages S4174, S4176

Expedited Senate Consideration of Certain Nominations: By 89 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 103), Senate agreed to S. Res. 116, to provide for expedited Senate consideration of certain nominations subject to advice and consent, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S4181–S4209

Adopted:

Schumer Amendment No. 523, to add positions for expedited consideration. **Page S4208**

Rejected:

By 63 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 102), two-thirds of the Senate not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to Coburn Amendment No. 521, to prevent the creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs. **Pages S4189–91, S4206–08**

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

Chair sustained a point of order that Harkin (for Udall (NM)/Harkin) Amendment No. 522, to establish a majority vote threshold for proceeding to

nominations, was not relevant, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S4201–06**

Tom Lantos Institute: Senate agreed to S. Res. 220, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the June 30, 2011, opening of the Tom Lantos Institute in Budapest, Hungary. **Page S4239**

Congratulating Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity: Senate agreed to S. Res. 221, congratulating Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., on reaching the historic milestone of 100 years of serving local and international communities, maintaining a commitment to the betterment of mankind, and enriching the lives of collegiate men throughout the United States. **Pages S4239–40**

American Revolution Center: Senate agreed to S. Res. 222, recognizing the American Revolution Center for its role in telling the story of the American Revolution and the continuing impact on struggles for freedom, self-government, and the rule of law throughout the world, and encouraging the Center in its efforts to build a new Museum of the American Revolution. **Page S4240**

Appointments:

U.S.-China Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276n, appointed the following Senator as Vice Chairman of the U.S.-China Interparliamentary Group meeting to be held in Washington, DC, Tuesday, July 12, 2011:

Senator Chambliss. **Page S4241**

Finance Committee—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet at 10 a.m., during the session of the Senate on Thursday, June 30, 2011, and be permitted to meet beyond the two hour limit in Rule 26. **Page S4241**

Petraeus Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 12 noon, on Thursday, June 30, 2011, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of David H. Petraeus, of New Hampshire, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, that there be two hours for debate equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nomination; that no further motions be in order to the nomination. **Page S4240**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

David Nuffer, of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah.

Thomas Owen Rice, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.

Gregory K. Davis, of Mississippi, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi for the term of four years.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general. **Page S4241**

Measures Read the First Time: **Page S4197**

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Privileges of the Floor: **Page S4239**

Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—103) **Pages S4176–78, S4207–08**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:57 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 30, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4241.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,603 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

SWAP EXECUTION FACILITIES

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine the emergence of swap execution facilities, focusing on a progress report, after receiving testimony from Kevin McPartland, Tabb Group, Ben Macdonald, Bloomberg, LP, James Cawley, Javelin Capital Markets, Stephen Merkel, BGC Partners, Inc., and Chris Bury, Jefferies and Company, Inc., all of New York, New York; Neal B. Brady, Eris Exchange, LLC, Chicago, Illinois; and William Thum, Vanguard, Washington, D.C.