

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8143–S8291

Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1722–1738, and S. Res. 299–301. **Page S8186**

Measures Reported:

S. 1398, to require the Federal Government to expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property. (S. Rept. No. 113–122) **Page S8186**

Measures Passed:

Doolittle Tokyo Raiders Congressional Gold Medal: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 381, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the “Doolittle Tokyo Raiders”, for outstanding heroism, valor, skill, and service to the United States in conducting the bombings of Tokyo, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S8289**

Donnelly (for Brown) Amendment No. 2344, to award the gold medals to the next of kin of surviving members, as appropriate, and to designate the gold medals as numismatic items. **Pages S8289–90**

The Medal of Honor: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3304, to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to Bennie G. Adkins and Donald P. Sloat of the United States Army for acts of valor during the Vietnam Conflict and to authorize the award of the Medal of Honor to certain other veterans who were previously recommended for award of the Medal of Honor, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S8290**

Donnelly (for Levin) Amendment No. 2345, of a perfecting nature. **Page S8290**

Donnelly (for Levin) Amendment No. 2346, to amend the title. **Page S8290**

Authorizing Production of Records: Senate agreed to S. Res. 300, to authorize the production of records by the Permanent Subcommittee on Inves-

tigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. **Page S8290**

Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 1197, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2014 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S8153–58, S8158–81**

Rejected:

By 43 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 237), Inhofe (for Ayotte) Amendment No. 2255, to propose alternative requirements and limitations applicable to individuals detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S8169–79**

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 238), Levin/McCain Amendment No. 2175, to propose an alternative to section 1033, relating to a limitation on the transfer or release of individuals detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S8169–80**

Withdrawn:

Reid motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 2125, to change the enactment date. **Page S8153**

Pending:

Reid (for Levin/Inhofe) Amendment No. 2123, to increase to \$5,000,000,000 the ceiling on the general transfer authority of the Department of Defense. **Page S8153**

Reid (for Levin/Inhofe) Amendment No. 2124 (to Amendment No. 2123), of a perfecting nature. **Page S8153**

Reid motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services, with instructions, Reid

Amendment No. 2305, to change the enactment date. **Page S8180**

Reid Amendment No. 2306 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2305), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 2307 (to Amendment No. 2306), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S8180–81**

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

Reid Amendment No. 2126 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2125), of a perfecting nature, fell when Reid motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 2125, was withdrawn. **Page S8153**

Reid Amendment No. 2127 (to Amendment No. 2126), of a perfecting nature, fell when Reid Amendment No. 2126 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2125), fell. **Page S8153**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 20, 2013; that there be up to six hours of debate only on the issue of sexual assault; with Senator Gillibrand, or designee controlling three hours; Senators McCaskill and Ayotte, or designees, each controlling 75 minutes; the Ranking Member, or designee, controlling 20 minutes; and the Chairman, or designee, controlling 10 minutes. **Page S8289**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Linda Thomas-Greenfield, an Assistant Secretary of State (African Affairs), to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for the remainder of the term expiring September 27, 2015.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy. **Page S8290**

Messages from the House: **Page S8184**

Measures Referred: **Page S8184**

Measures Read the First Time: **Pages S8184, S8290**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S8199–S8288**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Pages S8288–89**

Privileges of the Floor: **Page S8289**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—238) **Page S8179–80**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:13 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 20, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8290.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

VIRTUAL CURRENCY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on National Security and International Trade and Finance concluded a joint hearing with the Subcommittee on Economic Policy to examine the present and future impact of virtual currency, after receiving testimony from Jennifer Shasky Calvery, Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury; David J. Cotney, Massachusetts Division of Banks Commissioner of Banks, Boston, on behalf of the Conference of State Bank Supervisors; Anthony Gallippi, BitPay, Atlanta, Georgia; Mercedes Kelley Tunstall, Ballard Spahr LLP, and Paul Smocer, BITS, on behalf of the Financial Services Roundtable, both of Washington, DC.; and Sarah Jane Hughes, Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Bloomington.

TYPHOON YOLANDA/HAIYAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the response to Typhoon Yolanda/Haiyan, after receiving testimony from Scot Marciel, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East-Asia Pacific Affairs; and Jeremy Konyndyk, Director, Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Dana J. Hyde, of Maryland, to be Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Corporation, and Mark E. Lopes, of Arizona, to be United States Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

OVERSIGHT POSITIONS WITHIN THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce concluded a hearing to examine the roles and effectiveness of oversight positions within the Federal workforce, focusing on strengthening government oversight, after receiving testimony from Peggy E.