

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, Pages S4233–S4285

Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2565–2569, and S.J. Res. 40. **Page S4271**

Measures Passed:

Freedom of the Press and Expression Around the World: Senate agreed to S. Res. 447, recognizing the threats to freedom of the press and expression around the world and reaffirming freedom of the press as a priority in the efforts of the United States Government to promote democracy and good governance, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and an amendment to the preamble. **Pages S4284–85**

Measures Considered:

Bipartisan Sportsmen’s Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2363, to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, post-cloture. **Pages S4244–46, S4248–61**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following disposition of the nomination of William D. Adams, of Maine, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Humanities, Senate continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and that all post-cloture time be considered expired and Senate vote on adoption of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S4285**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of an Executive Order to take additional steps with respect to the national emergency originally declared on October 27, 2006 in Executive Order 13413 with respect to the Democratic Republic of the Congo; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–48) **Pages S4267–68**

Castro, Vetter, and Adams Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 12 p.m., on Wednesday, July 9, 2014, Senate begin consideration of the nominations of Julian Castro, of Texas, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Darci L. Vetter, of Nebraska, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, and William D. Adams, of Maine, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Humanities; that there be two minutes for debate, equally divided in the usual form on each nomination; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the order listed; that all roll call votes after the first vote be 10 minutes in length; and that no further motions be in order to the nominations. **Page S4284**

Measures Read the First Time: Pages S4268, S4285

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:03 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 2014. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S4285.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SITUATIONS IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Armed Services: Committee received a closed briefing on the situations in Iraq and Afghanistan from Charles T. Hagel, Secretary, General Martin E. Dempsey, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Alyssa Slotkin, Acting Deputy Assistant