

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 1890, Defend Trade Secrets Act, as amended.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1621–S1644*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2740–2742, and S. Res. 410–412. **Page S1639**

#### Measures Reported:

Reported on Monday, March 28, during the adjournment:

S. 806, to amend section 31306 of title 49, United States Code, to recognize hair as an alternative specimen for preemployment and random controlled substances testing of commercial motor vehicle drivers and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–232)

S. 1335, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of the High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean, as adopted at Tokyo on February 24, 2012. (S. Rept. No. 114–233)

Reported on Monday, April 4:

S. 1873, to strengthen accountability for deployment of border security technology at the Department of Homeland Security, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–234)

S. 800, to improve, coordinate, and enhance rehabilitation research at the National Institutes of Health, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 849, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for systematic data collection and analysis and epidemiological research regarding Multiple Sclerosis (MS), Parkinson's disease, and other neurological diseases, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1101, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for the regulation of patient records and certain decision support software, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2014, to demonstrate a commitment to our Nation's scientists by increasing opportunities for the development of our next generation of researchers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2687, to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to improve plans of safe care for infants affected by illegal substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms, or a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1639**

#### Measures Passed:

**Defend Trade Secrets Act:** By a unanimous vote of 87 yeas (Vote No. 39), Senate passed S. 1890, to amend chapter 90 of title 18, United States Code, to provide Federal jurisdiction for the theft of trade secrets, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1631–36**

**National Science and Technology Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 411, expressing support for the goals and ideals of the biennial USA Science & Engineering Festival in Washington, DC, and designating April 11 through April 17, 2016, as "National Science and Technology Week". **Page S1643**

**Honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Martin Olav Sabo:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 412, honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Martin Olav Sabo as an outstanding public servant dedicated to the State of Minnesota and the United States. **Page S1643**

#### Measures Considered:

**America's Small Business Tax Relief Act—Agreement:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 636, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend increased expensing limitations. **Pages S1622–23, S1636**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII

of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, April 6, 2016.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, April 5, 2016. Pages S1643–44

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

- 5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
- 1 Army nomination in the rank of general.
- 1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.
- 1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

- 1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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**Messages from the House:**

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**Measures Referred:**

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**Enrolled Bills Presented:**

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**

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**Privileges of the Floor:**

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—39)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3:00 p.m. and adjourned at 6:12 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 5, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1644.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet in Pro Forma session at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2016, pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 34.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D241)

H.R. 1755, to amend title 36, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the congressional charter of the Disabled American Veterans. Signed on March 18, 2016. (Public Law 114–135)

S. 1172, to improve the process of presidential transition. Signed on March 18, 2016. (Public Law 114–136)

S. 1580, to allow additional appointing authorities to select individuals from competitive service certificates. Signed on March 18, 2016. (Public Law 114–137)

S. 1826, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 99 West 2nd Street in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, as the Lieutenant Colonel James "Maggie" Megellas Post Office. Signed on March 18, 2016. (Public Law 114–138)

S. 2426, to direct the Secretary of State to develop a strategy to obtain observer status for Taiwan in the International Criminal Police Organization. Signed on March 18, 2016. (Public Law 114–139)

H.R. 1831, to establish the Commission on Evidence-Based Policymaking. Signed on March 30, 2016. (Public Law 114–140)

H.R. 4721, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund. Signed on March 30, 2016. (Public Law 114–141)