

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House and Senate met in a Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3599–S3665

Measures Introduced: Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3030–3038. **Pages S3645–46**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Years 2016 and 2017”. (S. Rept. No. 114–273)

S. 1935, to require the Secretary of Commerce to undertake certain activities to support waterfront community revitalization and resiliency, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–272) **Page S3645**

Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 2943, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2017 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 proposed thereto:

Pages S3601–04, S3604

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 4229, to address unfunded priorities of the Armed Forces. **Pages S3601–04**

Reed/Mikulski Amendment No. 4549 (to Amendment No. 4229), to authorize parity for defense and nondefense spending pursuant to the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015. **Pages S3601–04**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of McCain Amendment No. 4229. **Page S3635**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 9, 2016;

that notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXII, the cloture motions with respect to Reed/Mikulski Amendment No. 4549 (to Amendment No. 4229) (listed above), and McCain Amendment No. 4229 (listed above), ripen at 11:15 a.m., on Thursday, June 9, 2016. **Page S3665**

House Messages:

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act: Senate disagreed to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2577, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, agreed to the request from the House for a conference, and authorized the Presiding Officer to appoint conferees, after taking action on the following motions to instruct conferees on the part of the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill to be instructed to insist on the inclusion in the final conference report the following motions proposed thereto: **Page S3633**

Rejected:

By 46 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 93), Nelson Motion to Instruct Conferees to insist that any conference report shall not include proposals that would rescind existing Ebola emergency funds provided by the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Public Law 113–235), and designated by Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as such funds support Ebola preparedness and response efforts which are critical to preventing, detecting, and responding to potential future Ebola outbreaks, and to insist that the final conference report include \$510,000,000 to reimburse Ebola accounts, as provided for in the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Public Law 113–235) and designated by Congress as an

emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, for obligations incurred for Zika virus response, as such emergency Ebola funds support critical initiatives to prevent Ebola outbreaks, such as country operations and public health infrastructure in Liberia, Sierra Leone, and Guinea, public health research on infection control, including detection of person to person transmission of Ebola, and advanced research and development of new Ebola vaccines and therapeutics. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to instruct, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S3633–34**

By 56 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 94), Sullivan Motion to Instruct Conferees to insist that any conference report shall include the provisions contained in Senate amendment 4065 (relating to the reconstruction of certain bridges). (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to instruct, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S3634–35**

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

By 93 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 92), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to disagree to the House amendment to the Senate amendment, agree to the request from the House for a conference, and authorize the Presiding Officer to appoint conferees. **Page S3633**

The Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Collins, Kirk, McConnell, Murkowski, Hoeven, Boozman, Capito, Cochran, Blunt, Graham, Tester, Murray, Reed, Udall, Schatz, Baldwin, Murphy, Mikulski, and Leahy. **Page S3635**

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Measures Referred: **Pages S3642–43**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—94) **Pages S3633–35**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:09 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 9, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3665.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FAST ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine implementation of the FAST Act, after receiving testimony from Anthony R. Foxx, Secretary of Transportation.

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy concluded a hearing to examine United States sanctions policy in Sub-Saharan Africa, after receiving testimony from Sue E. Eckert, Brown University Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Providence, Rhode Island; and Todd J. Moss, Center for Global Development, Princeton N. Lyman, United States Institute of Peace, and Brad Brooks-Rubin, Enough Project, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Geeta Pasi, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chad, Anne S. Casper, of Nevada, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Burundi, and Mary Beth Leonard, of Massachusetts, to be Representative of the United States of America to the African Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2417, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to allow the Indian Health Service to cover the cost of a copayment of an Indian or Alaska