

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4591–S4681

Measures Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3102–3106, and S. Res. 513–514. **Page S4641**

Measures Reported:

S. 2976, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to reform, streamline, and make improvements to the Department of Homeland Security and support the Department's efforts to implement better policy, planning, management, and performance, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–287)

Report to accompany S. 958, to amend the Small Business Act to provide for team and joint venture offers for certain contracts. (S. Rept. No. 114–288)

S. 2340, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue a directive on the management of software licenses, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–289)

S. Res. 432, supporting respect for human rights and encouraging inclusive governance in Ethiopia.

S. Res. 482, urging the European Union to designate Hizballah in its entirety as a terrorist organization and to increase pressure on the organization and its members to the fullest extent possible.

S. Res. 501, expressing the sense of the Senate on Russian military aggression.

S. Res. 503, recognizing June 20, 2016, as "World Refugee Day".

S. Res. 504, recognizing the 70th anniversary of the Fulbright Program.

S. 1605, to amend the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003 to authorize concurrent compacts for purposes of regional economic integration and cross-border collaborations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. Con. Res. 38, reaffirming the Taiwan Relations Act and the Six Assurances as cornerstones of United States-Taiwan relations. **Page S4638**

Measures Passed:

Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act: Senate passed H.R. 3766, to direct the Presi-

dent to establish guidelines for covered United States foreign assistance programs, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S4680**

Rounds (for Rubio/Cardin) Amendment No. 4927, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4680**

Rounds (for Rubio/Cardin) Amendment No. 4928, to amend the title. **Page S4680**

Conference Reports:

Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act: Senate continued consideration of the conference report to accompany 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. **Pages S4593–S4604, S4605–35**

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

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 112), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the conference report to accompany the bill. **Page S4598**

Senator McConnell entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the conference report to accompany the bill. **Page S4598**

House Messages:

National Sea Grant College Program Amendments Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, June 29, 2016, Senate resume consideration of the House amendment to S. 2328, to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act, with the time until the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to concur in the House amendment to the bill, equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees. **Pages S4680–81**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Protocol to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the Accession of Montenegro (Treaty Doc. No. 114–12).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Page S4680**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Routine lists in the Air Force and Army.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—112) **Page S4598**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:56 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 29, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4681.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs approved for full committee consideration an original bill entitled, "State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, Fiscal Year 2017".

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,677 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

DOD STRATEGIC INTEGRATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine improving strategic integration at the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from James R. Locher III, Distinguished Senior Fellow, Joint Special Operations University, De-

partment of Defense; General Stanley McChrystal, USA (Ret.), McChrystal Group, Alexandria, Virginia; and Amy C. Edmondson, Harvard Business School, Boston, Massachusetts.

THE INTERNET OF THINGS: TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security concluded a hearing to examine how the Internet of Things (IoT) can bring United States transportation and infrastructure into the 21st century, after receiving testimony from Carlos Monje, Jr., Acting Under Secretary for Policy, and Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy, Department of Transportation; Seleta Reynolds, Los Angeles Department of Transportation, Los Angeles, California; Jordan Kass, C. H. Robinson, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the Transportation Intermediaries Association; Doug Davis, Intel Corporation, Chandler, Arizona; and Robert Edelstein, AECOM, Pompano Beach, Florida.

SAGE GROUSE CONSERVATION OVERSIGHT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining concluded an oversight hearing to examine the status of the Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service's efforts to implement amendments to land use plans and specific management plans regarding sage grouse conservation, and those agencies' coordination activities with affected states, after receiving testimony from Jim Lyons, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior; Robert Harper, Director, Water, Fish, Wildlife, Air and Rare Plants, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Kathleen Clarke, Utah Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office, Salt Lake City; Catherine Macdonald, The Nature Conservancy, Portland, Oregon; Brenda Richards, Public Lands Council, Murphy, Idaho; and Katie Sweeney, National Mining Association, Washington, D.C.

MEDICARE PART B DRUG DEMONSTRATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the proposed Medicare Part B drug demonstration, after receiving testimony from Patrick Conway, Acting Principal Deputy Administrator, Deputy Administrator for Innovation and Quality, and Chief Medical Officer, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services.