

Michelle D. Gavin, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana.

Mara E. Rudman, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Ryan C. Crocker, of Washington, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2012.

Sim Farar, of California, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2012.

William J. Hybl, of Colorado, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2012.

Anne Terman Wedner, of Illinois, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2013.

Thomas M. Harrigan, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of Drug Enforcement.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.
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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—25) Pages S819, S823–24, S828, S834

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 17, at 9:19 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 28, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S927.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AGRICULTURE AND GROWING AMERICA'S ECONOMY

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine agriculture and growing America's economy, after receiving testimony from Thomas Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture; Keith Creagh, Michigan Department of Ag-

riculture and Rural Development, Lansing; Fred Yoder, Ohio Corn and Wheat Growers Association, Plain City; Joe L. Outlaw, Texas A&M University Agricultural and Food Policy Center, College Station; and Thomas M. Hoenig, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Kansas City, Kansas.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Gates, Secretary, Admiral Michael G. McMullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Robert S. Hale, Under Secretary, Comptroller, all of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee, and 670 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection: Senators Brown (OH) (Chair), Reed, Schumer, Menendez, Akaka, Tester, Kohl, Merkley, Hagan, Corker, Moran, Crapo, Johanns, Toomey, DeMint, and Vitter.

Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development: Senators Menendez (Chair), Reed, Schumer, Akaka, Brown (OH), Tester, Kohl, Merkley, Bennet, DeMint, Crapo, Corker, Toomey, Kirk, Moran, and Wicker.

Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment: Senators Reed (Chair), Schumer, Menendez, Akaka, Kohl, Warner, Merkley, Bennet, Hagan, Johnson (SD), Crapo, Toomey, Kirk, Corker, DeMint, Vitter, Moran, and Wicker.

Subcommittee on Economic Policy: Senators Tester (Chair), Warner, Hagan, Johnson (SD), Vitter, Wicker, and Johanns.

Subcommittee on Security and International Trade and Finance: Senators Warner (Chair), Brown (OH), Bennet, Johnson (SD), Johanns, and Kirk.

Senators Johnson (SD) and Shelby are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

DODD-FRANK IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Dodd-Frank implementation, focusing on a progress report by the regulators at the half-year mark, after receiving testimony from Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Sheila C. Bair, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Mary L. Schapiro, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and John Walsh, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 and Revenue Proposals, after receiving testimony from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

U.S. POLICY TOWARD LATIN AMERICA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs concluded a hearing to examine United States policy toward Latin America, after receiving testimony from Arturo A. Valenzuela, Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs; Mark Feierstein, Assistant Administrator for Latin America and the Caribbean, United States Agency for International Development; Frank O. Mora, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Western Hemisphere Affairs; and Robert N. Kaplan, Inter-American Foundation, Washington, D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY BUDGET

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Homeland Security, after receiving testimony from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee; and

The nominations of Sue E. Myerscough, and James E. Shadid, both to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, Susan L. Carney, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, and Michael H. Simon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts: Senators Klobuchar (Chair), Leahy, Kohl, Whitehouse, Coons, Sessions, Grassley, Lee, and Coburn.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights: Senators Kohl (Chair), Schumer, Klobuchar, Franken, Blumenthal, Lee, Grassley, and Cornyn.

Subcommittee on The Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights: Senators Durbin (Chair), Leahy, Whitehouse, Franken, Coons, Blumenthal, Graham, Kyl, Cornyn, Lee, and Coburn.

Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism: Senators Whitehouse (Chair), Kohl, Feinstein, Durbin, Klobuchar, Coons, Kyl, Hatch, Sessions, and Graham.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security: Senators Schumer (Chair), Leahy, Feinstein, Durbin, Franken, Blumenthal, Cornyn, Grassley, Hatch, Kyl, and Sessions.

Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology and the Law: Senators Franken (Chair), Schumer, Whitehouse, Blumenthal, Coburn, Hatch, and Graham.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

REAUTHORIZATION OF THE SBIR AND STTR PROGRAMS

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reauthorization of the SBIR and STTR programs, after receiving testimony from Charles W. Wessner, National Research Council, Jere W. Glover, National Small Business Association (NSBA), and Joe Hernandez, Signal Genetics, on behalf of the Biotechnology Industry Organization (BIO), all of Washington, D.C.; Irwin Mark Jacobs, Qualcomm, San Diego, California; and Matthew R. Silver, Cambrian Innovation LLC, Somerville, Massachusetts.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 43 public bills, H.R. 751–793; 1 private bill, H.R. 794; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 41; H. Con. Res. 19; and H. Res. 97–103 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page H1180**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Mark Williamson, Federal Intercessors, Houston, Texas. **Page H1073**

FISA Sunsets Extension Act of 2011: The House concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 514, to extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 and Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 relating to access to business records, individual terrorists as agents of foreign powers, and roving wiretaps until December 8, 2011, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 279 yeas to 143 nays, Roll No. 66.

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H. Res. 93, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment, was agreed to yesterday, February 16th.

Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 1, making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, February 18th. **Pages H1181–89**

Agreed to:

Walberg amendment (No. 196 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that reduces funding for the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities, National Endowment for the Arts, Grants and Administration by \$20,594,000 (by a recorded vote of 217 yeas to 209 nays, Roll No. 68);

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Canseco amendment (No. 249 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that reduces funding for National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs by \$4,500,000 (by a recorded vote of 248 yeas to 177 nays, Roll No. 69);

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Reed amendment (No. 381 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that eliminates the Presidio Trust Fund (by a recorded vote of 239 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 70);

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McMorris Rodgers amendment (No. 276 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that increases IDEA state grants to FY 2010 levels and reduce school improvement grants and teacher quality grants by necessary amounts to fully offset outlays (by a recorded vote of 249 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 73);

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Young (AK) amendment (No. 532 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that restores the education funding authority for Alaskan and Hawaiian Native Americans (by a recorded vote of 313 yeas to 117 nays, Roll No. 74);

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