

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S14423–S14425

USA PATRIOT Act Extension: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 2167, to amend the USA PATRIOT Act to extend the sunset of certain provisions of that Act and the lone wolf provision of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 to July 1, 2006, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S14424**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that all applicable signing and appointments authorities be extended through the adjournment of the Senate and that Senator Warner be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions. **Page S14424**

Printing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the text of S. 1783, as passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005, be printed. **Page S14424**

Nominations Returned to the President: The following nominations transmitted by the President of the United States to the Senate during the first session of the 109th Congress, and upon which no action was had at the time of the sine die adjournment of the Senate, failed of confirmation under the provisions of Rule XXXI, paragraph 6, of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission:

James H. Bilbray, of Nevada, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

Philip Coyle, of California, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

Admiral Harold W. Gehman, Jr., United States Navy, Retired, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

James V. Hansen, of Utah, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

General James T. Hill, United States Army, Retired, of Florida, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

Samuel Knox Skinner, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

Brigadier General Sue Ellen Turner, United States Air Force, Retired, of Texas, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

James H. Bilbray, of Nevada, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Philip Coyle, of California, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Admiral Harold W. Gehman, Jr., United States Navy, Retired, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

James V. Hansen, of Utah, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

General James T. Hill, United States Army, Retired, of Florida, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

General Lloyd W. Newton, United States Air Force, Retired, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Anthony Joseph Principi, of California, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Samuel Knox Skinner, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Brigadier General Sue Ellen Turner, United States Air Force, Retired, of Texas, to be a Member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Department of Justice:
Steven G. Bradbury, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

The Judiciary:
Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

In the Air Force:
Air Force nominations beginning with Brigadier General Dana T. Atkins and ending with Brigadier General Johnny A. Weida, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 9, 2005.

Air Force nomination of Colonel James A. Buntyn to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nominations beginning with Colonel Brock John T. Strom and ending with Colonel Richard J. Utecht, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 6, 2005.

Air Force nominations beginning with Colonel Gregory A. Biscone and ending with Colonel Tod D. Wolters, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 4, 2005.

In the Army:
Army nomination of Colonel Freddie R. Waggoner to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Col. Julia A. Kraus to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Eric T. Olson to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Col. Gilberto S. Pena to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Col. Rodney J. Barham to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Col. Larry L. Arnett to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Col. Otis P. Morris to be Brigadier General.

In the Navy:
Navy nomination of Captain David J. Mercer to be Rear Admiral (Lower Half).

Navy nomination of Tito P. Dua to be Captain.

Navy nomination of Lance C. Esswein to be Commander.

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Messages From the House: Pages S14424–25

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Adjournment: Senate met at 8 p.m., and, in accordance with the provisions of H. Con. Res. 326, adjourned sine die at 8:04 p.m., until 12 noon, on Tuesday, January 3, 2006 for a pro forma session, and then adjourn automatically until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2006.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 4647–4653; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 329–330; and H. Res. 643–645, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: Page H13189

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4438, to establish special rules with respect to certain disaster assistance provided for Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita (H. Rept. 109–364).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Wolf to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Amending the USA PATRIOT Act to extend the sunset of certain provisions of such act: The House agreed by unanimous consent to H.R. 4647,

to amend the USA PATRIOT Act to extend the sunset of certain provisions of such act.

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Amending the USA PATRIOT Act to extend the sunset of certain provisions of that Act and the lone wolf provision of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 to July 1, 2006: The House agreed by unanimous consent to S. 2167, amended, to amend the USA PATRIOT Act to extend the sunset of certain provisions of that Act and the lone wolf provision of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 to July 1, 2006, after agreeing to the Sensenbrenner amendment.

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A concurrent resolution correcting the enrollment of H.R. 2863: The House agreed by unanimous consent to S. Con. Res. 74, a concurrent resolution correcting the enrollment of H.R. 2863.

Pages H13181–83

Adjournment Sine Die Pending Receipt of Senate Message: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today pursuant to this order, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. on Monday, December 26, 2005, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of H. Con. Res. 531, in which case the House shall stand adjourned sine die pursuant to that concurrent resolution. **Page H13183**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H13178.

Senate Referrals: S. 716 and S. 1182 were referred to the Committee on Veteran Affairs; S. 119 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; S. 1184 was referred to the Committee on International Relations; and S. 1315 and S. 2170 were held at the desk. **Page H13186**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 4 p.m. and at 4:36 p.m., pursuant to the previous order of the

House of today, the House stands adjourned until 11 a.m. on Monday, December 26, 2005, unless it sooner has received a message or messages from the Senate transmitting its adoption of House Concurrent Resolution 326, in which case the House shall stand adjourned sine die pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1333)

H.R. 4440, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax benefits for the Gulf Opportunity Zone and certain areas affected by Hurricanes Rita and Wilma. Signed on December 21, 2005. (Public Law 109–135)

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Tuesday, January 3, 2006

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Tuesday, January 3, 2006

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: The House will meet in a pro forma session.

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