SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM and will resume consideration of H. R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). The only amendments remaining to the resolution will be amendments numbered 752, 704, 649, 737 and 739. The Senate will vote on the remaining amendments and final passage of the resolution during Thursday's session. All post cloture debate time is considered expired. Votes may begin as early as 9:10 AM.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

H. R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations).

Ensign amend #752 (Funding under the Adam Walsh Child Safety and Protection Act of 2006), as modified. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **93-0**.

DeMint amend #704 (Prohibit the use of funds to make payments to certain spinach growers and first handlers). The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **96-1**.

Coburn amend #649 (remove a $2 million earmark for the University of Vermont). The amendment was agreed to by voice vote.

Sanders amend #737 (Provide funds for the weatherization assistance program), as modified. The amendment was agreed to by voice vote.

Biden amend #739 (Funds for procurement, Marine Corps, to accelerate the procurement of an additional 2,500 mine resistant ambush protected vehicles of the Armed Forces). The amendment was agreed to by a vote of 98-0.

Sen. Kyl point of order that Section 1711 is legislation on an appropriations bill. The Chair ruled that the point of order was well taken and Section 1711 was struck from the bill.

Sen. Murray motion to proceed to the consideration of a number of amendments and modify them was objected to by Sen. Cochran.

Sen. DeMint point of order that Sec. 431 regarding tree assistance violates Rule XVI. The Chair put the question of germaneness regarding the text of Sec. 431 to the Senate. The Senate agreed that Sec. 431 is germane to the bill by a vote of **57-41**. The point of order falls.

Sen. Alexander point of order that Sec 3001 constitutes legislation on an appropriations bill. The point of order was well taken and Sec. 3001 was struck from the bill.

H. R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). The bill was read for a third time. The yeas and nays on final passage of the bill as amended were ordered. The bill was agreed to by a vote of **51-47**.

Sen. Reid announced that there will be no more votes today.

Sen. Murray motion to request a conference with the House and appoint conferees was agreed to. Sen. Reid announced that the members of the conference for the majority would be the members of the Appropriations Committee. Sen. McConnell announced that the list of conferees for the minority would be forthcoming.

The Senate proceeded with morning business.

Sen. Chambliss motion to proceed to S. 1022, that the bill be read a third time and passed. Sen. Menendez objected.

Sen. Menendez motion to proceed to S.1023, that the bill be read a third time and passed. Sen. Chambliss objected.

DeMint motion to proceed to S. Res. 123 and that the resolution be agreed to. Sen. Menendez objected.

H. R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). Conferees appointed.

S. 888 (Prosecution of Genocide). The bill was read three times and agreed to by voice vote.

Sen. Reid motion to proceed to S. 1071, that the bill be read a third time and passed. Sen. McConnell objected.

Sen. Reid motion to proceed to HR 137 (Humane Society), that the bill be read a third time and passed. Sen. McConnell objected.

H. Con. Res. 103 (Adjournment Resolution). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 136 (SoS condemning Iran for holding British Troops hostage). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 131 (National Asbestos Awareness Week). Agreed to by voice vote.

H.R. 727 (Trauma Care). Agreed to by voice vote.

H.R. 1132 (Breast and Cervical Cancer waivers). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 682 (Honoring Edward William Brook). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session and confirmed the following nominations en bloc:
Cal. #49 (John Wood to be US Attorney for Missouri),
Cal. #50 (Ford Fraker to be Ambassador to Saudi Arabia).
Cal. #51 (Zalmay Khalilzad to be Representative to the United Nations).
Cal. #52 (Zalmay Khalilzad to be Representative to the General Sessions of the United Nations).
Cal. #56 (Curtis Chin to be Director of the Asian Development Bank).
Cal. #57 (Eli Debevoise to be Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction).
Cal. #58 (Margrethe Lundsager to be Executive Director of the IMF).
Cal. #60 (S. Ward Casscells to be Assistant Sec. of Defense).
Cal. #61 (Claude Kicklighter to be Inspector General, Department of Defense).
Cal. #62 (William Ostendorff to be Deputy Administrator of Nuclear Security Administration).
Cal. #63 (Gary Roughead to be Admiral in the Navy).
Cal. #64 (Robert Willard to be Admiral in the Navy).
Cal. #65 (Samuel Locklear to be Vice Admiral in the Navy).
Cal. #66 (Jeffrey Sorenson to be Lt. General in the Army).
Cal. #67 (William Caldwell to be Lt. General in the Army).
Cal. #68 (James Williams to be Major General in the Marines).
Cal. #69 (James Cook to be Brigadier General in the Army).
Cal. #70 (Richard Kramlich to be Lt. General in the Marines).
Cal. #71 (Officers to be Major Generals in the Marines).
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PM #53

The Senate returned to Legislative Session.

The Senate will convene on Tuesday, April 10 at 10:00 AM and will be in morning business for 60 minutes. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed en bloc to S. 5 (Stem Cells) and S. 30 (Stem Cells). The bills will be debated for a time limitation of 20 hours. Upon completion of the debate, the bills will be read for a third time en bloc, and each bill will need to receive 60 affirmative votes to pass. If neither bill receives 60 votes, then S. 5 will be returned to the Senate calendar and S. 30 will be placed on the calendar. S. 5 will be the first vote in the sequence. There will be two minutes of debate between the two votes, and then the Senate will proceed to vote on passage of the bills. There will be no votes during Tuesday's session. The party lunches will be held on Wednesday, April 11.

The Senate adjourned at 6:30 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will resume immediate consideration of H.R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). There will be 30 minutes of debate to run concurrently with respect to the following two amendments:
Wyden amend #709 (Reauthorize the secure rural schools and community self-determination program and to provide funding for the payments in lieu of taxes program).
Burr amend #716 (To require that payments to eligible States and eligible counties only be used for public schools).

Following the previous debate, there will be 30 minutes of debate on the motion to invoke cloture on H.R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). When the hour of debate for the above three pending issues has expired, there will be three subsequent votes on the Wyden amendment, the Burr amendment, and the cloture motion of H.R. 1591. Following the votes, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of the Hagel amend #707 (Regarding Iraq and limits on deployments).

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S. 997 (Human Embryonic Stem Cell Research). Second reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and the bill was placed on the Senate Calendar.

S. 1001 (Restore 2nd amendment rights in the District of Columbia). Second reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and the bill was placed on the Senate Calendar.

H. R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations).

H. R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). Motion to invoke cloture on the bill. Yeas and nays ordered. The cloture motion was invoked by a vote of **97-0.**

Lugar amend #690 (Provide that the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" and "Economic Support Fund", up to $50 million may be made available to support and maintain a civilian reserve corps). Laid aside.

Reid amend #822 (Requiring the provision to become effective 2 days after enactment) to Lugar amend #690 (Provide that the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" and "Economic Support Fund", up to $50 million may be made available to support and maintain a civilian reserve corps). Laid aside.

Hagel amend #707 (Regarding Iraq and limits on deployments). Withdrawn.

Wyden amend #709 (Reauthorize the secure rural schools and community self-determination program and to provide funding for the payments in lieu of taxes program). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **75-22**.

Burr amend #716 (To require that payments to eligible States and eligible counties only be used for public schools). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **8-89**.

Coburn amend #657 (Farm assistance in a fiscally responsible manner). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **24-73**.

Coburn amend #648 (To remove $100 million in funding for Republican and Democrat party conventions in 2008). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **45-51**.

Hutchison amend #655 (Authorize the conveyance of a parcel of land) Agreed to by voice vote.

Clinton amend #666 (Link award fees to successful acquisition outcomes under such contracts). Agreed to by voice vote.

Kennedy amend #685 (Prohibit the use of funds to reduce the consulting services provided by the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

Cochran amend #674 (Require reports on progress of the Government of Iraq in meeting benchmarks to be submitted jointly by the Commander, Multi-National Forces-Iraq, and the US Ambassador to Iraq). Agreed to by voice vote.

Kerry amend #687 (Improve programs for small business concerns that employ Reservists), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

Stevens amend #727 (Make a technical correction regarding the availability of funds from the Iraq Freedom Fund). Agreed to by voice vote.

Landrieu amend #732 (Technical Correction), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

Leahy amend #755 (Provide a cost of living adjustment for the Federal judiciary). Agreed to by voice vote.

Snowe amend #772 (Relieve burdens on small business concerns operating on Federal disaster projects). Agreed to by voice vote.

Landrieu amend #776 (Provide funds to recruit and retain teachers, principals and other school leaders to areas impacted by Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita). Agreed to by voice vote.

Klobuchar amend #793 (Provide effective rural and small community assistance by the EPA). Agreed to by voice vote.

Pryor amend #807 (Domestic Preparedness Equipment Technical Assistance Program). Agreed to by voice vote.

Coleman amend #835 (Provide for a hospital in Cass County, Minnesota and Kemper County, Mississippi), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive session to consider the following nomination of #42, Vanessa Lynn Bryant. Confirmed by voice vote.

S. Res. 114 (Recognizing the contributions of agriculture producers). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 133 (Celebrating the life of a Bishop). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM on Thursday, March 29, 2007. The Senate will resume consideration of H. R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). The only amendments remaining to the resolution will be amendments numbered 752, 704, 649, 737, 739. The Senate will vote on the remaining amendments and final passage of the resolution during Thursday's session.

The Senate adjourned at 8:45 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of morning business for 60 minutes. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). At 11:50 AM., the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of Cal. #28 (George Wu to be a United States District Judge). There will be 20 minutes of debate equally divided, followed by a vote on confirmation of the nomination. The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 for the party lunches.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded with a legislative session.

H. R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #38 (George H. Wu, of California, to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California). The nomination was agreed to by a vote of **95-0**.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The Senate will vote on the Cochran amend #643 (Strikes language that imposes an arbitrary timetable for withdrawal of U.S. forces in Iraq) at 5:00 PM today.

The Senate stands in recess for party luncheons until 2:15 PM.

The Senate convened at 2:15 PM.

H. R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations).

Kennedy amend #680 (Increase the Federal Minimum Wage). Laid aside.

Lugar amend #690 (Provide that the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" and "Economic Support Fund", up to $50 million may be made available to support and maintain a civilian reserve corps). Laid aside.

Wyden amend #709 (Reauthorize the secure rural schools and community self-determination program and to provide funding for the payments in lieu of taxes program). Laid aside.

Obama amend #664 (Appropriate $58,000,000 for Defense Health Program and $10,000,000 for operation and maintenance for each of the military departments). Laid aside.

Burr amend #716 (To require that payments to eligible States and eligible counties only be used for public schools). Laid aside.

Webb amend #692 (To prohibit the use of funds for military operations in Iran). Laid aside.

Cochran amend #643 (Strikes language that imposes an arbitrary timetable for withdrawal of U.S. forces in Iraq). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **48-50**.

Grassley 2nd degree amend #798 () to Kennedy amend #680 (Increase the Federal Minimum Wage). Agreed to by voice vote.

Kennedy amend #680 (Minimum Wage), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

Warner amend #698 (), as modified. Laid aside.

The following amendments will be considered en bloc:
Coburn amend #648 (To remove $100 million in funding for Republican and Democrat party conventions in 2008). Laid aside.
Coburn amend #649 (To remove a $2 million earmark for the University of Vermont). Laid aside.
Coburn amend #656 (Requiring timely public disclosure of Government reports submitted to Congress). Laid aside.
Coburn amend #657 (Farm assistance in a fiscally responsible manner). Laid aside.
Coburn amend #717 (). Laid aside.
Coburn amend #718 (). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to a period of morning business.

The following bills were considered en bloc:
S. 997 (Providing for Human Embryonic Stem Cell Research). First reading. Second reading objected to and laid upon the table.
S. 1001 (Restoring 2nd Amendment Rights in the District of Columbia). First reading. Second reading objected to and laid upon the table.

S. Res. 126 (April as Financial Literacy Month). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 127 (April 8, 2007 as National Curbings Syndrome Awareness Day). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 128 (Authorizing testimony, document production and legal representation in U.S. vs. Phillip G. Bowman, et al). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 129 (Authorizing testimony, document production and legal representation in State of Alaska vs. Robert S. Mulford and Don G. Mueller). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 474 (Awarding a Congressional Gold Medal to Michael L.S. Debeke, MD). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 1002 (Amending the Older Americans Act of 1965). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, March 28, 2007 and will resume immediate consideration of H.R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). There will be 30 minutes of debate to run concurrently with respect to the following two amendments:
Wyden amend #709 (Reauthorize the secure rural schools and community self-determination program and to provide funding for the payments in lieu of taxes program).
Burr amend #716 (To require that payments to eligible States and eligible counties only be used for public schools).

Following this debate, there will be 30 minutes of debate on the motion to invoke cloture on H.R. 1591 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations). When the hour of debate for the above three pending issues has expired, there will be three subsequent votes on the Wyden amendment, the Burr amendment, and the cloture motion of H.R. 1591. Following the votes, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of the Hagel amend #707 ().

The Senate adjourned at 8:05 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2007

The Senate will convene at 2:30 PM and will proceed to a period of morning business until 3:30 PM. At 3:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to consideration of H.R. 1591 (Supplemental Appropriations Act).

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

H.R. 545 (Amend the Omnibus Crime Bill of 1968). 1st reading. 2nd reading objected to.

H.R. 1591 (Supplemental Appropriations Act).

Byrd amend #641 (Complete Substitute).

Cochran amend #643 (Strikes language that imposes an arbitrary timetable for withdrawal of U.S. forces in Iraq). Laid aside.

Byrd amend #641 (Complete Substitute). Reid unanimous consent that the Substitute amendment be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendments. Agreed to.

Reid filed cloture on **H.R. 1591 (Supplemental Appropriations Act).**

Reid unanimous consent that tomorrow on Tuesday, March 27 at 11:50 AM., the Senate proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of Cal. #28 (George Wu to be a United States District Judge). There will be 20 minutes of debate equally divided and that at the conclusion or yielding back of that time, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination. Agreed to.

S. Res. 124 (Congratulating EU on the Treaty of Rome). Agreed to by voice vote.

H. Con. Res. 66 (Use of Rotunda for Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene on Tuesday, March 27 at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of morning business for 60 minutes. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 1591 (Supplemental Appropriations Act). At 11:50 AM., the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of Cal. #28 (George Wu to be a United States District Judge). There will be 20 minutes of debate equally divided, followed by a vote on confirmation of the nomination. The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 for the party lunches.

The Senate adjourned at 7:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM on Friday, March 23, 2007. The Senate will resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution). There will be 30 minutes of debate remaining on the resolution. Votes will begin at 9:30 AM with two minutes of debate between each vote. The Senate is expected to conclude consideration of the Budget Resolution during today's session.

S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution)

Gregg amend #622 (Point of order against using reconciliation to create new mandatory programs and 20% limitation on spending reconciliation). Agreed to by voice vote.

Pryor amend #601 (Reserve Fund for Physician Training). Agreed to by voice vote.

Brownback amend #581 (Funds for a Commission on Budgetary Accountability and Review of Federal Agencies). Agreed to by voice vote.

Conrad amend #623 (To clarify the treatment of certain provisions in conference reports). Agreed to by voice vote.

DeMint amend #513 (Debt Reduction Appropriation Account). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **38-61**.

Bunning amend #621 (Provide for a deficit neutral reserve fund for a repeal of the 1993 increase in the income tax on Social Security benefits). Agreed to by voice vote.

Dole amend #553 (Financial relief for reservists and national guard deployed in Afghanistan and Iraq by allowing them to make penalty free withdrawals of their retirement funds through the year 2012). Agreed to by voice vote.

Feinstein amend #574 (Provide additional money for State Criminal Alien Assistance Program). Agreed to by voice vote.

Sessions amend #473 (Save families from the Alternative Minimum Tax first by permitting a deduction for personal exemptions for purposes of computing the AMT). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **46-53**.

Nelson amend #626 (Reform the estate tax). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **25-74**.

Kyl amend #583 (Reform the death tax). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **48-51**.

Hatch amend #508 (Establish a reserve fund for protecting coverage choices, additional benefits and lower cost-sharing for Medicare beneficiaries). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **49-50**.

Allard amend #521 (Reduce the Federal debt by eliminating waste, fraud and abuse). Point of order raised by Conrad that the amendment violates Section 305-B-2 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974. Allard motion to waive the point of order. The motion was not agreed to by a vote of **39-60**. The point of order is sustained and the amendment fails.

Smith amend #510 (Provides for the consideration of an increase in the tobacco products user fee rate), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **59-40**.

The following amendments were considered en bloc:
Lieberman amend #519 (Increase funding for vital first responder homeland security programs). Agreed to by voice vote.
Burr amend #499 (Develop bio-defense medical countermeasures). Agreed to by voice vote.
Biden amend #528 (Increase funding for the Violence Against Women Act programs). Agreed to by voice vote.
Thune amend #546 (Regarding COPS Hot Spots funding). Agreed to by voice vote.
Kennedy amend #602 (Increase funding for drug safety oversight at the FDA). Agreed to by voice vote.
Chambliss amend #619 (Provide for the Edward Byrne Memorial justice Assistance Grant Program). Agreed to by voice vote.
Reid amend #490 (Finding to eliminate the offset between military retirement pay and disability compensation for America's veterans). Agreed to by voice vote.
Kerry amend #616 (Increase funding for small business programs at the SBA). Agreed to by voice vote.
Warner amend #620 (Provide finding for NASA aeronautics at the fiscal year 2007 levels). Agreed to by voice vote.
Kerry amend #615 (Include in the veterans' reserve fund services for low-vision and blinded veterans). Agreed to by voice vote.
Graham amend #614 (Increase the budgetary totals for the Dept. of Commerce to provide additional trade enforcement capability and to provide an offset). Agreed to by voice vote.

Thomas amend #515 (Prevent the adding of extraneou7s earmar5is to an emergency war funding). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **39-59**.

Specter amend #613 (Regarding a point of order on asbestos reform), as modified. Laid aside.

Graham amend #478 (Extend a percent income tax rate structure). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **46-52**.

Specter amend #613 (Regarding a point of order on asbestos reform), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

Thune amend #465 (Provide for a budget point of order against legislation that increases income tax rates on small business, family farms , or family ranches). Agreed to by voice vote.

Grassley amend #471 (Repeal of the alternative minimum tax). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **44-53**.

Bingaman amend #587 (Regarding the US National Park Service system). Withdrawn.

DeMint amend #578 (Eliminate the death tax). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **44-55**.

Biden amend #529 (Regarding the COPS program). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **65-33**.

DeMint amend #530 (Regarding Social Security), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

DeMint amend #534 (Prevent the adding of earmarks for spinach producers to an emergency war supplemental appropriations bill). Agreed to by voice vote.

Bunning amend #594 (Provide a deficit-neutral reserve fund for protecting State flexibility in Medicaid), as modified. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **44-55**.

Chambliss amend #536 (Regarding the State Children's Health Insurance Program). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **44-45**.

Coleman amend #522 (Extend a provision allowing veterans to qualify for low interest mortgage programs). Agreed to by voice vote.

Lott amend #606 (Repeal of the tax rate under the Alternative Minimum Tax provisions). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **49-50**.

Gregg amend #638 (Create a point of order against increasing mandatory spending in appropriations bills). Agreed to by voice vote.

Smith amend #518 (Fund the State Dept., USAID, and other foreign affairs agencies). Agreed to by voice vote.

Sen Reid motion to proceed to the consideration of H. R. 1591 (Supplemental Appropriations Bill) on Monday, March 26, 2007 was agreed to.

The Senate proceeded to consideration of the following amendments en bloc:
Nelson amend #580 (Regarding Survivor Benefit Plan annuities). Agreed to by voice vote.
Obama amend #599 Add money for Function 270/Energy for the demonstration of carbon capture and sequestration technology). Agreed to by voice vote.
Levin amend #632 (Provide for a reserve fund for manufacturing initiatives). Agreed to by voice vote.
Casey amend #617 (Establish a deficit neutral reserve fund for extending preschool opportunities to children). Agreed to by voice vote.
Carper amend #540 (Reduce the deficit through the use of recovery audits). Agreed to by voice vote.
Pryor amend #611 (Increase the budgeting totals for the National Nanotechnology Initiative). Agreed to by voice vote.
Dorgan amend #544 (Provide for the use of the deficit-neutral reserve fund for tax relief for enhancing charitable giving from individual retirement accounts). Agreed to by voice vote.
Obama amend #524 (Provide money for the Summer Term Education Program). Agreed to by voice vote.
Reed amend #596 (Increase LIHEAP spending). Agreed to by voice vote.
Bingaman amend #600 (Establish a fund to provide for a delay in the implementation of the proposed rule relating ot the Federal-State financial partnerships under Medicaid and SCHIP). Agreed to by voice vote.
Webb amend #537 (Include in the veterans' reserve fund a provision for GI educational benefits). Agreed to by voice vote.
Pryor amend #627 (Provide additional funding for the Consumer Product Safety Commission). Agreed to by voice vote.
Baucus amend #639 (). Agreed to by voice vote.
Dorgan amend #589 (Establish a reserve fund for the safe importation of FDA-approved prescription drugs). Agreed to by voice vote.
Voinovich amend #470 (Require disclosure of the interest costs of legislation). Agreed to by voice vote.
Coleman amend #572 (Increase funds for the implementation of the forest management plans developed for Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin). Agreed to by voice vote.
Murkowski amend #551 (Increase funding for geothermal, ocean and small hydroelectric energy assistance). Agreed to by voice vote.
Snowe amend #629 (Fund for tax relief for reauthorizing the new markets tax credit for an additional 5 years). Agreed to by voice vote.
Grassley amend #636 (Establish a reserve fund to iprove payment accuracy for hospitals under the Medicare program). Agreed to by voice vote.
Dole amend #633 (Funding to effectively address the critical water and waste water needs of rural communities in the US). Agreed to by voice vote.
Enzi amend #635 (Provide for a fund to improve health insurance). Agreed to by voice vote.
Specter amend #506 (Increase funding for the NIH, CDC and prevention, and the health profession). Agreed to by voice vote.

Grassley amend #548 (Ensure that Medicare payments to physicians include incentives to improve the quality and efficiency of care furnished to Medicare beneficiaries). Agreed to by voice vote.
Dole amend #640 (). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution) was read for a third time as amended. The resolution was agreed to by a vote of **52-47.**

The Senate proceeded with a period of morning business.

The following resolutions were considered en bloc:
S. Res. 47 (Honoring the life and achievements of George C. Springer, Sr.). Agreed to by voice vote.
S. Res. 49 (Recognizing and celebrating the 50th anniversary of the entry of Alaska into the Union as the 49th State). Agreed to by voice vote.
S. Res. 78 (Designating April 2007 as "National Autism Awareness Month"). Agreed to by voice vote.
S. Res. 84 (Observing February 23, 2007, as the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade in the British Empire). Agreed to by voice vote.
H. Con. Res. 44 (Honoring and praising the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of its 98th anniversary). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 121 (Directing the Senate Legal Council to appear in the name of the Senate in support of the officer of Senator Mark Dayton v. Brad Hansen). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 122 (Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial). Agreed to by voice vote.

H.R. 545 (Amending the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968). First reading. Second reading objected to and laid upon the table.

The Senate will convene at 2:30 PM on Monday, March 26, 2007. The Senate will proceed to a period of morning business until 3:00 PM. At 3:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to consideration of H.R. 1591 (Supplemental).

The Senate adjourned at 4:25 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution). There will be 25 hours left for debate on the resolution.

S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution)

Cornyn amend #525 (Provide reconciliation instructions to the Committee on Finance to reform entitlement programs, to reduce the national debt and to improve the standard of living for our children and grandchildren). Laid aside.

Ensign amend #472 (Require wealthy Medicare beneficiaries to pay a greater share of their Medicare Part D premiums).

At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the following amendments: DeMint amend #489, Allard amend #491, Baucus amend #504 and Cornyn amend #511.

DeMint amend #489 (Establish a reserve fund for Social Security). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **45-52**.

Allard amend #491 (Pay down the Federal debt and eliminate government waste by reducing spending on programs rated ineffective by the Program Assessment Rating Tool). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **33-64.**

Baucus amend #504 (Put children first), as modified. The amendment was agreed to by voice vote.

Cornyn amend #511 (Deficit-neutral reserve fund for the reauthorization of the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)). The amendment not agreed to by a vote of **38-59**.

Cornyn amend #525 (Provide reconciliation instructions to the Committee on Finance to reform entitlement programs, to reduce the national debt and to improve the standard of living for our children and grandchildren). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **23-74**.

Grassley amend #502 (Smithsonian Institution). Agreed to by voice vote.

Sanders amend #545 (Restore the top marginal tax rate to pre-2001 levels on taxable income in excess of $1 million). Laid aside.

Enzi amend #497 (Establish a 60 vote point of order for legislation that creates unfunded mandates on small business concerns). Laid aside.

Coleman amend #577 (Provide budget levels to extend through 2012 the production tax credit for electricity produced from renewable resources). Laid aside.

Carper amend #538 (Reduce the deficit by recovering improper payments). Laid aside.

Lincoln amend #542 (Provide the Veterans benefits Administration with additional resources and staff to more effectively meet their increasing workload). Laid aside.

Thomas amend #498 (Strike the reserve funds). Laid aside.

Carper amend #538 (Reduce the deficit by recovering improper payments). Agreed to by voice vote.

Lincoln amend #542 (Provide the Veterans benefits Administration with additional resources and staff to more effectively meet their increasing workload). Agreed to by voice vote.

Kyl amend. #583 (Death Tax Reform). Laid aside.

Bayh amend #526 (Makes permanent the tuition tax deduction and is fully offset by closing a portion of the tax gap through enhanced information reporting requirements). Agreed to by voice vote.

Hutchison amend #517 (To provide tax equity for citizens of states which do no have a state income tax by providing for a permanent extension of the state and local sales tax deduction from federal income taxes), as modified. Laid aside.

Ensign amend #472 (Require wealthy Medicare beneficiaries to pay a greater share of their Medicare Part D premiums). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **44-52**.

Sanders amend #545 (Restore the top marginal tax rate to pre-2001 levels on taxable income in excess of $1 million), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was

Hutchison amend #517 (To provide tax equity for citizens of states which do no have a state income tax by providing for a permanent extension of the state and local sales tax deduction from federal income taxes), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **38-58**.

Enzi amend #497 (Establish a 60 vote point of order for legislation that creates unfunded mandates on small business concerns). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **47-49**.

Thomas amend #498 (Strike the reserve funds). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **29-67**.

Conrad amend #598 (deficit neutral reserve fund). The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **54-42**.

Coleman amend #577 (Provide budget levels to extend through 2012 the production tax credit for electricity produced from renewable resources).The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **42-53**.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session

Cal. #47 (Lt. Gen. Peter W. Chiarelli to e Lieutenant General in the Army). Confirmed by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 119 (Authorize testimony). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 120 (National Rehabilitation Counselors Day). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM on Friday, March 23, 2007. The Senate will resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution). There will be 30 minutes of debate remaining on the resolution. Votes will begin at 9:30 AM with two minutes of debate between each vote. The Senate is expected to conclude consideration of the Budget Resolution during.

The Senate adjourned at 9:43 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:15 AM and will resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution). There will be 42 hours left for debate on the resolution and the Senate will proceed to the consideration of a Republican amendment, followed by a Democrat amendment. There will be no votes before 5:00 PM when the Senate will begin a series of votes on pending amendments.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution).

Ensign amend #476 (Defense Firewall). Laid aside.

Bunning amend #483 (Provide a point of order against any budget resolution that fails to achieve an on-budget balance within 5 years). Laid aside.

Bingaman amend #486 (Additional funding resources for investments in innovation and education). Laid aside.

DeMint amend #489 (To establish a reserve fund for Social Security reform). Laid aside.

Allard amend #491 (Discretionary Spending). Laid aside.

Baucus amend #492 (Tax relief to middle class families and small businesses and to expand health insurance coverage for children). Laid aside.

Collins amend #480 (Deficit-Neutral Reserve Fund). Agreed to by voice vote.

Grassley amend #464 (Limit farm payments to $250,000 per person per year and apply the savings to renewable energy/rural development, conservation and nutrition). Laid aside.

Grassley amend #502 (Ensure the appropriate use of funds provided for the Smithsonian Institution). Laid aside.

Baucus amend #504 (Put children first). Laid aside.

Kyl amend #507 (Regarding the death tax exemption and the death tax rate). Laid aside.

Cornyn amend #511 (Deficit-neutral reserve fund for the reauthorization of the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)).

Sessions amend #466 (Exclude the extension of tax relief provided in 2001 and 2003 from points of order provided in the resolution and other budget points of order), as modified. Laid aside.

At 5:00 PM, the Senate is expected to begin a series of votes on the following amendments: Baucus amend #492, Kyl amend #507, Cornyn amend #477, Sessions amend #466, Ensign amend #476, Bunning amend #483 and Bingaman amend #486.

Baucus amend #492 (Tax relief to middle class families and small businesses and to expand health insurance coverage for children). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **97-1.**

Kyl amend #507 (Regarding the death tax exemption and the death tax rate). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **47-51**.

Cornyn amend #477 (Provide for a budget point of order against legislation that increases income taxes on taxpayers). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **63-35**.

Sessions amend #466 (Exclude the extension of tax relief provided in 2001 and 2003 from points of order provided in the resolution and other budget points of order), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **46-52**.

Ensign amend #476 (Ensign amend #476 (Defense Firewall). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **47-51**.

Bunning amend #483 (Provide a point of order against any budget resolution that fails to achieve an on-budget balance within 5 years). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **98-0**.

Bingamen amend #486 (Additional funding resources for investments in innovation and education). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **97-1**.

There will be no more roll call votes today.

Hutchison amend #517 ().

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #48 (W. Craig Vanderwagen to be Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution). There will be 25 hours left for debate on the resolution.

The Senate adjourned at 7:53 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed to consideration of S. 214 (Preserve the independence of the US Attorneys). At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the Kyl amendment, the Sessions amendment and final passage of the bill. Following the vote, the Senate will stand in recess until 2:15 PM for party caucuses. At 2:15 PM, there may be a vote (if needed) on the Motion to Proceed to S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution).

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S. 214 (Preserve the independence of the US Attorneys).

Kyl amend #459 (Ensure that US attorneys are promptly nominated by the President, and are appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **40-56**.

Sessions amend #460 (To require appropriate qualifications for interim U. S. attorney). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **47-50**.

S. 214 (Preserve the independence of the US Attorneys). Final passage. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill, as amended, is passed by a vote of **94-2.** Motion to reconsider is laid upon the table.

The Senate stands in adjournment for party caucuses until 2:15 PM, where the Senate will proceed to consideration to S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution).

The Senate convened at 2:20 PM.

S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution).

Sessions amend #466 (Exclude the extension of tax relief provided in 2001 and 2003 from points of order provided in the resolution and other budget points of order). Laid aside.

Cornyn amend #477 (Provide for a budget point of order against legislation that increases income taxes on taxpayers).

S. Res. 113 (Commending the achievements of the Alliance to Save Energy). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:15 AM on Wednesday, March 21, 2007. The Senate will resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution). There will be 42 hours left for debate on the resolution and the Senate will proceed to the consideration of a

Republican amendment, followed by a Democrat amendment. There will be no votes before 5:00 PM when the Senate will begin a series of votes on pending amendments.

The Senate adjourned at 8:05 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2007

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will proceed to consideration of S. 214 (Preserve the independence of the US Attorneys). There will be 6 hours of general debate. The Committee amendment will be agreed to. There will only be 2 amendments (Kyl and Sessions) in order with 3 hours of debate each. The debate on the amendments must be concluded during today's session. On Tuesday, March 20, 2007, the senate will resume consideration of the bill at 10:00 AM with 90 minutes of general debate remaining. At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the Kyl amendment, the Sessions amendment and final passage of the bill.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S. 214 (Preserve the independence of the US Attorneys).

Kyl amend #459 (Ensure that US attorneys are promptly nominated by the President, and are appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate). Laid aside.

Sessions amend #460 (To require appropriate qualifications for interim U.S. attorneys). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:
Cal. #45 (Adm. Timothy J. Keating to be Admiral of the United States Navy). Agreed to by voice vote.
Cal. #46 (Lt. Gen. Victor E. Renuart, Jr. to be General in the United States Air Force). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. J. Res. 5 (Casimir Pulaski to be an honorary member of the United States). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Con. Res. 14 (85th Anniversary of the American Helenet Educational Progressive Association). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 20, 2007, and will proceed to consideration of S. 214 (Preserve the independence of the US Attorneys). At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the Kyl amendment, the Sessions amendment and final passage of the bill. Following the vote, the Senate will stand in recess until 2:15 PM for party luncheons. At 2:15 PM, there may be a vote on the Motion to Proceed to S. Con. Res. 21 (Budget Resolution).

The Senate adjourned at 6:46 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. Following morning business, the Senate will be in post-cloture debate on the motion to proceed to S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution).

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

Motion to proceed to the consideration of S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution).

Reid motion to withdraw the cloture motion and proceed to the consideration of S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution) was agreed to by unanimous consent.

Reid motion to proceed to the consideration of three resolutions en bloc for 4 hours of concurrent debate was agreed to. The three resolutions are:
S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution).
S. Res. 107 (Iraq Resolution).
S. Con. Res. 20 (Iraq Resolution).
Further, that upon the use or yielding back of the 4 hours of debate, the Senate will proceed to a vote on each resolution with the requirement that in order to pass each resolution must receive 60 yea votes. If each individual resolution fails to receive 60 votes, each resolution will be returned to the Senate calendar. The motion was agreed to. If all time is used, there will be three votes later this afternoon. Upon conclusion of the votes, the Senate will proceed to votes on 3 judicial nominations.

Sen. Reid unanimous consent request to proceed to the consideration of S. 214 (Preserve the independence of the US attorneys) under the following provisions was agreed to. On Monday, March 19 at 2:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to the bill. There will be 6 hours of general debate. The Committee amendment will be agreed to. There will only be two amendments (Kyl and Sessions) in order with 3 hours of debate each. The debate on the amendments must be concluded during Monday's session. On Tuesday, March 20, the Senate will resume consideration of the bill at 10:00 AM with 90 minutes of general debate remaining. At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the Kyl amendment, the Sessions amendment and final passage of the bill. The request was agreed to.

The Senate proceeded to the following en bloc (Under the above agreement, all three need at least 60 votes to pass):
S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution). The resolution was not agreed to by a vote of **48-50.**
S. Res. 107 (Sen. Murray's Iraq Resolution). The resolution was agreed to by a vote of **96-2.**
S. Con. Res. 20 (Sen. Gregg's Iraq Resolution). The resolution was agreed to by a vote of **82-16.**

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the following nominations en bloc:
Cal. # 42 (Thomas M. Hardiman of Pennsylvania to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit). Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed **95-0.**
Cal. #36 (John Preston Bailey of West Virginia to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia). Agreed to by voice vote.
Cal. #37 (Otis D. Wright II of California to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California). Yeas and nays ordered. Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 95 (Greek Independence Day). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 109 (NCAA Rifle Championship). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 655 (National Red Cross). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 377 (Youth Exchange Program). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 494 (NATO new members). Agreed to by voice vote.

H. Con. Res. 20 (Investigation of Murder of Irish Defense Attorney). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene on Monday, March 19 at 2:00 PM and will proceed to consideration of S. 214 (Preserve the independence of the US attorneys). There will be 6 hours of general debate. The Committee amendment will be agreed to. There will only be two amendments (Kyl and Sessions) in order with 3 hours of debate each. The debate on the amendments must be concluded during Monday's session. On Tuesday, March 20, the Senate will resume consideration of the bill at 10:00 AM with 90 minutes of general debate remaining. At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the Kyl amendment, the Sessions amendment and final passage of the bill.

The Senate adjourned at 6:30 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed to the consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution). There will be one hour of debate on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution) followed by a vote.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

Motion to proceed to the consideration of S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution).

Motion to invoke cloture on motion to proceed to the consideration of S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution). Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to proceed is agreed to by a vote of **89-9**.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, March 15, 2007, and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. All time in the adjournment and all time in morning business will count as post-cloture.

The Senate adjourned at 6:28 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of **S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill)**. At 11:45 AM, the Senate will proceed to two Roll Call votes on the Coburn amendments # #294 (To provide that the provisions of the act shall cease to have any force or effect on and after December 31, 2012, to ensure congressional review and oversight of the act) and #325 (To ensure the fiscal integrity of grants awarded by the Department of Homeland Security.). The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the party lunches.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

Coburn amend #294 (To provide that the provisions of the act shall cease to have any force or effect on and after December 31, 2012, to ensure Congressional review and oversight of the act). Lieberman motion to table the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to table was agreed to by a vote of **60-38**.

Coburn amend #325 (To ensure the fiscal integrity of grants awarded by the Department of Homeland Security). Lieberman motion to table the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to table was agreed to by a vote of **66-31**.

The Senate recessed for party luncheons at 12:34 PM.

The Senate convened at 2:19 PM.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

The following amendments were agreed to en bloc:
Kyl #357 (To amend the data-mining reporting requirement to protect existing patents, trade secrets, and confidential business processes, and to adopt a narrower definition of data mining in order to exclude routine computer searches). Agreed to by voice vote.
Feingold 2nd degree amend #441 (To require appropriate reports regarding data mining) to Kyl #357 (To amend the data-mining reporting requirement to protect existing patents, trade secrets, and confidential business processes, and to adopt a narrower definition of data mining in order to exclude routine computer searches). Agreed to by voice vote.
Schumer amend #337 (To provide for the use of funds in any grant under the Homeland Security Grant Program for personnel costs, and for other purposes), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Ensign amend #448 (Establishing a Law Enforcement Assistance Force in the DHS). Agreed to by voice vote.

Bond amend #389 (Sense of the Senate that the Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs and the Select Committee on Intelligence should submit a report on the recommendations of the 9/11 Commission with respect to intelligence reform), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Stevens amend #299 (To authorize NTIA to borrow against anticipated receipts of the Digital Television Transition and Public Safety Fund to initiate migration to a national IP-enabled emergency network capable of receiving and responding to all citizen activated emergency communications). Agreed to by voice vote.

The following amendments were agreed to en bloc:
Sununu amend #291 (Ensure that the emergency communications and interoperability communications grant program does not exclude Internet Protocol-based interoperable solutions). Agreed to by voice vote.
Grassley amend #293 (Modernize the Red Cross governance structure), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Coleman amend #341 (Border interoperability demonstration project). Agreed to by voice vote.
Feinstein amend #323 (Inclusion of executive level training). Agreed to by voice vote.
Salazar amend #290 (Require a quadrennial homeland security review), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Carper amend #368 (Public interest declassification board). Agreed to by voice vote.
Akaka amend #392 (Integration of chemical, biological and radiological equipment). Agreed to by voice vote.
Lieberman amend #332 (Emergency management performance grants), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Lieberman amend #391 (Guidelines for fusion centers operated by state and local governments). Agreed to by voice vote.
Lieberman amend #431 (Coordination of the accreditation and certification program for the private sector). Agreed to by voice vote.
Wyden amend #348 (Requiring an Executive Summary regarding 9/11 be made public). Agreed to by voice vote.
Byrd amend #404 (Eligibility requirements under the visa waiver program). Agreed to by voice vote.
Pryor amend #388 (Annual reports on equipment technical assistance), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Lieberman amend #411 (Advance and strengthen democracy globally). Agreed to by voice vote.
Landrieu amend #456 (Require the Sec. of Homeland Security to include levees in the list of critical infrastructure sectors). Agreed to by voice vote.
Coleman amend #414 (Demonstration projects of security management systems), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Inouye amend #412 (Provide for model ports of entry), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Menendez amend #354 (Improve the security of cargo containers destined for the United States), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

The following amendments were agreed to en bloc:
Inouye amend #423 (Transportation security strategic planning), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Inouye amend #424 (Coordinate various reporting provisions), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Rockefeller amend #340 (Reinstate the state registration fee system), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Kerry amend #307 (Criteria used to develop a hazardous material tracking pilot program). Agreed to by voice vote.
Murray amend #358 (Establish a pilot program to identify technological solutions for reducing airport exit lane staffing), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Lautenberg amend #359 (Highway watch grant program), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.
Cardin amend #394 (Require AMTRAK contracts and leases involving the state of Maryland to be governed by the laws of the District of Columbia). Agreed to by voice vote.

The following amendments were agreed to en bloc:
Dodd amend #415 (Amend Title X with respect to critical infrastructure protection efforts by Federal departments and agencies). Agreed to by voice vote.
Kohl amend #371 (Needs of the elderly in emergencies), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

The following amendments have been withdrawn en bloc:
Landrieu amend #321 (Require the Secretary of Homeland Security to include levees in the list of critical infrastructure sectors). Withdrawn.
Schumer amend #336 (Prohibit the use of peer review processes in determining the allocation of funds among metropolitan areas applying for grants under the Urban Area Security Initiative). Withdrawn.

Schumer amend #367 (Require the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration to establish and implement a program to provide additional safety measures for vehicles that carry high hazardous materials), as modified. Agreed to by voice vote.

Biden amend. #383 (To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop regulations regarding the transportation of high hazard materials, and for other purposes). Yeas and nays ordered. Collins motion to table the amendment. Motion to table the amendment was agreed to by a vote of **73-25**.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). The Senate proceeded to third reading of the bill. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill was agreed to by a vote of **60-38**.

H. R. 1129 (Construction of an arterial road in St. Louis, Missouri). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, March 14, 2007. The Senate will proceed to the consideration of S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution). There will be one hour of debate on the motion to invoke cloture on S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution) followed by a vote.

The Senate adjourned at 7:52 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2007

The Senate will convene at 2:30 PM and will be in a period of morning business. There will be no roll call votes during today's session.

Sen. Reid filed cloture on S. J. Res. 9 (Iraq Resolution).

Sen. Reid filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed S. 214 (US Attorney Independence Act).

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 13 and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of **S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill)**. At 11:45 AM, the Senate will proceed to two Roll Call votes on the Coburn amendments # #294 (To provide that the provisions of the Act shall cease to have any force or effect on and after December, 31, 2012, to ensure congressional review and oversight of the Act) and #325 (To ensure the fiscal integrity of grants awarded by the Department of Homeland Security.). The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the party lunches.

The Senate adjourned at 6:05 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:15 AM and will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). At 9:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Cornyn amendment #312 ().

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

Cornyn amend #312 (Prohibit the recruitment of persons to participate in terrorism, to clarify that the revocation of an alien's visa or other documentation is not subject to judicial review). Motion to invoke cloture on the amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **46-49**.

Reid amend #275 (In the nature of a complete substitute). Motion to invoke cloture on the amendment was agreed to by a vote of **69-26**.

S. J. Res. 9 (A joint resolution to revise United States policy on Iraq). Motion to proceed to second reading was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to and the resolution was placed on the Senate calendar.

Cal #286 (). Point of order that the amendment is not germane to the bill. The Chair sustained the point of order.

Sen. Reid asked unanimous consent that the pending non germane amendments be withdrawn leaving pending only the following arguably germane and germane amendments:
Reid amend #275 (Complete substitute).
Landrieu amend #321 (To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to include levees in the list of critical infrastructure sectors.).
Schumer amend #336 (To prohibit the use of peer review processes in determining the allocation of funds among metropolitan areas applying for grants under the Urban Area Security Initiative.).
Coburn amend #325 (To ensure the fiscal integrity of grants awarded by the Department of Homeland Security.).
Coburn amend #294 (To provide that the provisions of the Act shall cease to have any force or effect on and after December, 31, 2012, to ensure congressional review and oversight of the Act.).
Kyl amend #357 (To amend the data-mining reporting requirement to protect existing patents, trade secrets, and confidential business processes, and to adopt a narrower definition of data mining in order to exclude routine computer searches.).

Biden amend #383 (To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop regulations regarding the transportation of high hazard materials, and for other purposes.).
Schumer amend #367 (To require the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration to establish and implement a program to provide additional safety measures for vehicles that carry high hazardous materials.).
Stevens amend #299 (To authorize NTIA to borrow against anticipated receipts of the Digital Television Transition and Public Safety Fund to initiate migration to a national IP-eanbled emergency network capable of receiving and responding to all citizen activated emergency communications.).
Schumer amend #337 (To provide for the use of funds in any grant under the Homeland Security Grant Program for personnel costs, and for other purposes.).
Bond amend #389 (To provide the sense of the Senate that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate should submit a report on the recommendations of the 9/11 Commission with respect to intelligence reform and congressional intelligence oversight reform.).

The unanimous consent agreement was agreed to without objection.

S. Res. 102 (supporting the goals of international woman's day). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 103 (commending the Kingdom of Lesertu). Agreed to by voice vote.

The following amendments were agreed to en bloc by voice vote:
HR 544 (To designate the United States courthouse at South Federal Place in Santa Fe, New Mexico, as the "Santiago E. Campos United States Courthouse".). Agreed to by voice vote.
HR 584 (To designate the Federal building located at 400 Maryland Avenue Southwest in the District of Columbia as the 'Lyndon Baines Johnson Department of Education Building'.). Agreed to by voice vote.
HR 342 (To designate the United States courthouse located at 555 Independence Street in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, as the "Rush Hudson Limbaugh, Sr. United States Courthouse".). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 2:30 PM on Monday, March 12, 2007 and will be in a period of morning business. There will be no roll call votes during Monday's session.

The Senate adjourned at 1:11 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of morning business for 1 hour. Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). Votes are expected throughout the day and Sen. Reid announced the possibility of a Saturday Senate session.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

Sen. Reid made a motion to proceed to the consideration of a number of Iraq war related bills and resolutions beginning on Monday, March 12, 2007. Sen. McConnell objected.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive session

Cal. #27, John Alfred Jarvey to be a US District Judge. Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 95-0.

Cal. #28, Sara Elizabeth Colby to be US District Judge. The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

At 7:13 PM, Sen. Reid announced there will be no more roll call votes this evening.

S. J Res. 9 (revise US policy on Iraq). 1st reading ok. 2nd reading objected to.

The Senate will convene at 9:15 AM on Friday, March 9, 2007. The Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). At 9:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Cornyn amendment #312 ().

The Senate adjourned at 8:30 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). The Senate will debate concurrently the McCaskill amend #316 (Collective Bargaining) and Collins amend #342 (Collective Bargaining). Votes will occur on both of the amendments beginning at 10:00 AM. At 10:45 AM, the Senate will proceed to the House Chamber for a joint meeting in order to hear an address by the King of Jordon. Upon conclusion of the joint session, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

Reid amend #275 (Complete Substitute).

Sen. Reid announced that the votes scheduled for 10:00 AM will occur this afternoon.

Votes will occur at 1:45 PM today.

At 10:44 AM, the Senate recessed subject to the call of the Chair in order to proceed to the House Chamber for an address from the King of Jordan.

At 1:05 PM, the Senate reconvened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

Reid amend #275 (Complete Substitute).

McCaskill amend #316 (Collective Bargaining). Laid aside.

Collins amend #342 (Collective Bargaining). Laid aside.

Biden amend #383 (Require Secretary of Homeland Security to develop regulations for transportation of high hazard materials). Laid aside.

Biden amend #384 (Establish a Homeland Security and Neighborhood Safety Trust Fund). Laid aside.

McCaskill amend #316 (Collective Bargaining). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **51-48.**

Collins amend #342 (Collective Bargaining). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to **46-53.**

Bunning amend #334 (Modify the authorities relating to Federal flight deck officers). Laid aside.

Schumer amend #366 (restrict the authority of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to issue a license authorizing the export to a recipient country of highly enriched uranium for medical isotope production).Laid aside.

Schumer amend #367 (Require the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration to establish and implement a program to provide additional safety measures for vehicles that carry high hazardous materials) as modified. Laid aside.

Wyden amend #348 (require that a redacted version of the Executive Summary of the Office of the Inspector General Report on CIA Accountability on Findings and Conclusions of the Joint Inquiry into the Intelligence Community is made available to the public). Laid aside.

Bond amend #389 (Sense of the Senate that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs should submit a report on the recommendations of the 9/11 Commission). Laid aside.

McConnell filed a cloture motion on McConnell amend #312 (Suicide bombers) as modified.

Stevens amend #299 (911 Modernization Act). Laid aside.

Landrieu amend #295 (Funding for local governments harmed by Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita), as modified. Laid aside.

Stevens motion to table Coburn amend #345 (Funding for Emergency Communications and Interoperability Grants program). Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to table is agreed to by a vote of **71-25**.

The Senate proceeded to a period of morning business.

Reid motion to invoke cloture on Reid amend #275 (Complete Substitute).

Reid motion to invoke cloture on S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:
Cal. #39 (Stanley Davis Phillips of North Carolina to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia). Agreed to by voice vote.
Cal. #40 (William B. Wood of New York to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 100 (National Safe Place Week). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, March 8, 2007 and will be in a period of morning business for 1 hour. Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

The Senate adjourned at 7:45 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in morning business for 60 minutes. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). At 12:00 Noon, the Senate will resume consideration of DeMint amend #314 (To strike the provision that revises the personnel management practices of the Transportation Security Administration). The Senate will adjourn from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the party lunches.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

S. 761 (Invest in innovation in education regarding the global economy). The second reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and it was placed on the Senate calendar.

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

Reid amend #275 (Complete Substitute).

Leahy amend #333 (To increase the minimum allocation for states under the State Homeland Security Grant Program). Laid aside.

Coburn amend #301 (Regarding grant programs). Laid aside.

Menendez amend #352 (Cargo screening). Laid aside.

Coburn amend #345 (Funding for Emergency Communications and Interoperability Grants program). Laid aside.

Coburn amend #294 (Provide that the provisions of the Act shall cease to have any force or effect on and after December 31, 2012). Laid aside.

DeMint amend #314 (To strike the provision that revises the personnel management practices of the Transportation Security Administration). Reid motion to table. The amendment was tabled by a vote of **51-46.**

At 12:30 PM, the Senate recessed for party caucuses.

At 2:15 PM, the Senate reconvened.

S. Con. Res. #15 (Authorizing the Rotunda to be used March 29, 2007 for the Congressional Medal of Honor). Agreed to by voice vote.

Menendez amend #352 (Cargo screening). Withdrawn.

Menendez amend #354 (improve the security of cargo containers).
Laid aside.

Specter amend #286 (Repeal certain provisions under the Military Commission Act).
Laid aside.

Specter amend #286 (Restore habeas corpus for those detained by the United States).
Laid aside.

Obama amend #338 (Consideration of high-risk qualifying criteria in allowing funds under the State Homeland Security Grant Program). Laid aside.

Kyl amend #357 (Amend data-mining reporting requirement to protect existing patents, trade secrets, and confidential business processes, and to adopt a narrower definition of data mining in order to exclude routine computer searches). Laid aside.

Kyl amend #317 (Prohibit the rewarding of suicide bombings and allow adequate punishments for terrorist murders, kidnappings and sexual assaults). Laid aside.

At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to the following votes:
Feinstein amend #335 (Improve allocation of grants through the Department of Homeland Security). Motion to table the amendment was agreed to by a vote of **56-43**.
Obama amend #338 (Consideration of high-risk qualifying criteria in allowing funds under the State Homeland Security Grant Program). The motion to table the amendment was agreed to by a vote of **59-40**.
Leahy amend #333 (To increase the minimum allocation for states under the State Homeland Security Grant Program). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **49-50**.

The nomination of Ryan C. Crocker to be the US Ambassador to Iraq. Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 97 (Relative to the death of Thomas f Eagleton, former US Senator). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 98 (regarding the Joint Committee on Printing and Joint Committee on the Library of Congress). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, March 7, 2007. The Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). The Senate will proceed to the House Chamber for a joint meeting in order to hear an address by the King of Jordon.

The Senate adjourned at 7:44 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2007

The Senate will convene at 1:30 PM and will be in morning business for 90 minutes. At 3:00 PM, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). There will be a vote at 5:30 PM on an Executive Calendar matter.

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

Reid amen #275 (Complete Substitute). The amendment is considered as original text for amendment purposes.

Feinstein amend #335 (improve allocation of grants through the Department of Homeland Security). Laid aside.

Schumer amend #336 (to prohibit the use of the peer review process in determining the allocation of funds among metropolitan areas). Laid aside.

Schumer amend #337 (provide for the use of funds in any grant under the Homeland Security Grant Program). Laid aside.

Collins amend #342 (provide certain employment rights and an employee engagement mechanism for passenger and property screeners). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session to consider the nomination of Carl Joseph Artman to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **87-1.**

Coburn amend #325 (ensure the fiscal integrity of grants awarded by the Dept. of Homeland Security). Laid aside.

Cardin amend #328 (require Amtrak contracts and leases involving the State of Maryland to be governed by the laws of the District of Columbia). Laid aside.

Sessions amend #347 (Express the sense of the Senate regarding the funding of Senate approved construction of fencing and vehicle barriers along the southwest barrier of the US). Laid aside.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 6 and will be in morning business for 60 minutes. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). At 12 Noon will resume consideration of DeMint amend #314. The Senate will adjourn from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the party lunches.

The Senate adjourned at 7:25 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will immediately resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). At 10:00 AM, the Senate will vote on Sununu amend #292 (Expand the reporting requirement on cross border interoperability). Upon disposition of the Sununu amendment, the Senate will vote on Salazar amend #280 (Creates a Rural Policing Institute as part of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center).

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill)

H.R. 800 (National Labor Relations Act). Second reading and placed on the calendar.

Landrieu amend #321 (Includes levees in the list of critical infrastructure sectors). Laid aside.

The following amendments were considered en bloc:
Landrieu amend #295 (Funding Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita local governments). Laid aside.
Landrieu amend #296 (Permits cancellation of certain loans under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act). Laid aside.

Allard amend #272 (Allows the sharing of social security data among agencies for identity theft protection and immigration enforcement purposes). Laid aside.

Sununu amend #292 (Expand the reporting requirement on cross border interoperability). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **82-0**.

Salazar amend #280 (Creates a Rural Policing Institute as part of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **82-1**.

The following amendments were considered en bloc:
Sessions amend #305 (Clarifies the voluntary inherent authority of States to assist in the enforcement of immigration laws). Laid aside.
Cornyn amend #310 (Strengthen the Federal Government's ability to detain dangerous criminal aliens). Laid aside.
Cornyn amend #311 (Immigration injunction reform). Laid aside.
Cornyn amend #312 (Prohibits the recruitment of persons to participate in terrorism). Laid aside.
Kyl amend #317 (Prevention and deterrence of terrorist suicide bombings and terrorist murders, kidnapping and sexual assaults). Laid aside.
Kyl amend #318 (Protecting classified information). Laid aside.

Kyl amend #319 (Providing for relief from immigration bars for the Hmong and other non-threatening groups; designating the Taliban as a terrorist organization for immigration purposes). Laid aside.
Kyl amend #320 (Improving the Classified Information Procedures Act). Laid aside.
Grassley amend #300 (Clarifying alien's visa revocation is not subject to judicial review). Laid aside.
Grassley amend #309 (Improving the prohibitions on money laundering). Laid aside.

Thune amend #308 (Proliferation Security Initiative). Laid aside.

The following amendments were considered en bloc:
Cardin amend #326 (Study of modification of area of jurisdiction of Office of National Capital Region Coordination). Laid aside.
Cardin amend #327 (Reforming mutual aid agreements for the National Capital Region). Laid aside.
Cardin amend #328 (Requiring Amtrak contracts and leases involving the State of Maryland to be governed by the laws of the District of Columbia). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to a period of morning business.

The Senate will convene on Monday, March 5 at 1:30 PM and will be in morning business for 90 minutes. At 3:00 PM, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). There will be a vote at 5:30 PM on an Executive Calendar matter.

The Senate adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Kyl amend #319 (Providing for relief from immigration bars for the Hmong and other non-threatening groups; designating the Taliban as a terrorist organization for immigration purposes). Laid aside.
Kyl amend #320 (Improving the Classified Information Procedures Act). Laid aside.
Grassley amend #300 (Clarifying alien's visa revocation is not subject to judicial review). Laid aside.
Grassley amend #309 (Improving the prohibitions on money laundering). Laid aside.

Thune amend #308 (Proliferation Security Initiative). Laid aside.

The following amendments were considered en bloc:
Cardin amend #326 (Study of modification of area of jurisdiction of Office of National Capital Region Coordination). Laid aside.
Cardin amend #327 (Reforming mutual aid agreements for the National Capital Region). Laid aside.
Cardin amend #328 (Requiring Amtrak contracts and leases involving the State of Maryland to be governed by the laws of the District of Columbia). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to a period of morning business.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, March 1 and will be in morning business for 60 minutes. At 10:30 AM the Senate will resume consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

Reid amend #275 (Complete Substitute). The amendment is considered as original text for amendment purposes. Laid aside.

Bingaman amend #281 (Provide financial aid to local law enforcement officials along the Nation's borders). Laid aside.

Sununu amend #291 (Ensure that the emergency communications and interoperability grant program does not exclude Internet Protocol-based interoperable solutions). Laid aside.

Sununu amend #292 (Expand the reporting requirement on cross border interoperability). Laid aside.

Collins amend #277 (extend the deadline by which State identification documents shall comply with certain minimum standards). Withdrawn.

Schumer amend #298 (Strengthen security of cargo containers). Laid aside.

Salazar amend #290 (Requiring a quadrennial homeland security review), as modified. Laid aside.

Salazar amend #280 (Creates a Rural Policing Institute as part of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center). Laid aside.

The Senate stands in recess from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM for a National Security briefing.

The Senate reconvened and proceeded with the considerations of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill).

Schumer amend #298 (Strengthen security of cargo containers). Sen. Collins motion to table. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to table the amendment was agreed to by a vote of **58-38**. The motion to reconsider was laid upon the table.

DeMint amend #314 (TSA personnel management practices revisions). Laid aside.

Lieberman amend #315 (TSA employee rights). Laid aside.

McCaskill 2nd degree amend #316 (TSA employee rights) to Lieberman amend #315 (TSA employee rights). Laid aside.

Dorgan amend #313 (Requiring a report on al Qaeda leaders). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to a period of morning business.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:
Cal. #32 (30 Air National Guard officers for appointment of Major General and Brigadier General in the Reserve of the Air Force). Agreed to by voice vote.
Cal. #33 (Maj. Gen. Benjamin C. Freakley to be Lieutenant General in the United States Army). Agreed to by voice vote.
Cal. #34 (11 Colonels to be Brigadier Generals in the United States Marine Corps). Agreed to by voice vote.
Cal. #35 (Col. Tracey L. Garrett to be Brigadier General in the United States Marine Corps Reserve). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 89 (Authorizing expenditures of committees). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 743 (Military Order of the Purple Heart). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Con. Res. 16 (Northern Uganda Conflict). Agreed to by voice vote.

H. Con. Res. 47 (National Medal of Honor Day). Agreed to by voice vote.

H.R. 800 (National Labor Relations Act). First reading. Second reading objected to.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM Friday, March 2, 2007 and will resume immediate consideration of S. 4 (9/11 Commission Bill). At 10:00 AM, the Senate will vote on Sununu amend #292 (Expand the reporting requirement on cross border interoperability). Upon disposition of the Sununu amendment, the Senate will vote on Salazar amend #280 (Creates a Rural Policing Institute as part of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center).

The Senate adjourned at 7:41 PM.