SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2007

The Senate convened for a Pro Forma session at 9:30 AM and conducted no business.

The Senate will next meet on Monday, December 3, 2007 at 2:00 PM. The Senate will proceed with morning business. There are no votes scheduled at this time.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2007

The Senate convened for a Pro Forma session at 9:00 AM and conducted no business. The Senate will meet on Thursday, November 29, 2007 at 9:30 AM for a Pro Forma Session. The Senate will next conduct business on Monday, December 3, 2007 at 2:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2007

The Senate convened for a Pro Forma Session at 10:00 AM and conducted no business. The Senate will meet on Tuesday, November 27, 2007 at 9:00 AM for a Pro Forma Session. The Senate will next conduct business on Monday, December 3, 2007 at 2:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2007

The Senate convened for a Pro Forma Session at 9:00 AM and conducted no business. The Senate will meet on Friday, November 23, 2007 at 10:00 AM for a Pro Forma Session. The Senate will next conduct business on Monday, December 3, 2007 at 2:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2007

The Senate will convene at 8:30 AM. At 9:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the cloture motion on the motion to proceed to S. 2340 (Iraq Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Bill). If cloture is not invoked, the senate will then vote on the cloture motion on the motion to proceed to H. R. 4159 (The Orderly and Responsible Iraq Redeployment Appropriations Bill). If cloture is not invoked, the Senate will then vote on the cloture motion on the substitute amendment to the H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill). The vote on the cloture motion on H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill) will be delayed to occur if needed upon the adoption of the substitute amendment.

S. 2363 (Military Construction and Veterans' Affairs Appropriations Bill). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and the bill was placed on the Senate Calendar.

Motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to S. 2340 (Iraq Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Bill). Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to invoke cloture was not agreed to by a vote of **45-53.**

Motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to H. R. 4156 (Orderly and responsible Iraq Redeployment Appropriations Bill). Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to invoke cloture was not agreed **53-45**

H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

Harkin amend #3500 (In the nature of a complete substitute). The motion to invoke cloture on the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to invoke cloture was not agreed to by a vote of **55-42.**

H. R. 2366 (SBA Veterans' Programs Act of 2007). Sen. Reid motion to agree to the bill, as amended, request a Conference with the House and appoint Conferees was objected to by Sen. Coburn.

H. R. 2761 (Extend the terrorism insurance program of the Department of Treasury). The Reid motion to agree to the Dodd substitute amendment and the bill, as amended, was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session and confirmed the following resolutions en bloc by voice vote:
Cal. #3 (the protocol amending the tax conventions with Denmark).
Cal. #4 (the protocol amending the tax conventions with Finland).

In Executive Session, the Senate confirmed the following nominations en bloc by voice vote:
Cal. #378 (Mark D. Gearan, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring December 1, 2010).
Cal. #379 (Julie Fisher Cummings, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring September 14, 2011).
Cal. #380 (Donna N. Williams, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2009).
Cal. #381 (Tom Osborne, of Nebraska, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2012).
Cal. #382 (Alan D. Solomont, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2009).
Cal. #383 (Douglas A. Brook, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy).
Cal. #384 (John J. Young, Jr., of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics).
Cal. #385 (Robert L. Smolen, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration).
Cal. #386 (The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601: ***to be General***, Lt. Gen. Carrol H. Chandler, 9115
Cal. #387 (The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, **U.S.C.**, section 624: to ***be Brigadier General***
Col. Donald L. Rutherford, 5430).
Cal. #388 (The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 624 and 3064: ***to be Brigadier General***, Colonel Joseph Caravalho, Jr., 7925, Colonel Rhonda L. S. Cornum, 2574, Colonel Keith W. Gallagher, 6366).
Cal. #389 (The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title LO, U.S.C., section 601: ***to be Lieutenant General*** Lt. Gen. Thomas F. Metz, 5686).
Cal. #390 (The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601: ***to be Lieutenant General***, Maj. Gen. Jeffrey A. Sorenson, 3510).
Cal. #391 (Reed Charles O'Connor, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas).
Cal. #392 (Amul R. Thapar, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky).

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

H.R. 50 (an act to reauthorize the African elephant authorization act rhinoceros act of 1994). Agreed to by voice vote.

H.R. 465 (an act to reauthorize the Asian elephant conservation act of 1997). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate agreed to the following en bloc by voice vote:

S. 2110 (A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 427 North Street in Taft, California, as the "Larry S. Pierce Post Office").
S. 2150 (A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4320 Blue Parkway in Kansas City, Missouri, as the 'Wallace S. Hartsfield Post Office Building").
S. 2174 (A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 175 South Monroe Street in Tiffin, Ohio, as the "Paul E. Gillmor Post Office Building").
S. 2290 (A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 16731 Santa Ana Avenue in Fontana, California, as the "Beatrice E. Watson Post Office Building").
H.R. 2089 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 701 Loyola Avenue in New Orleans as the "Louisiana Armed Services ' Veterans Post Office").
H.R. 2276 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 203 North Main Street in Vassar, Michigan, as the "Corporal Christopher E. Esckelson Post Office Building").
H.R. 3297 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 950 West Trenton Avenue in Morrisville, Pennsylvania, as the "Nate DeTample Post Office Building").
H.R. 3307 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 570 Broadway in Bayonne, New Jersey, as the "Dennis P. Collins Post Office Building").
H.R. 3518 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1430 South Highway 29 in Cantonment, Florida, as the "Charles H. Hendrix Post Office Building".
H.R. 3530 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1400 Highway 41 North in Inverness, Florida, as the "Chief Warrant Officer Aaron Weaver Post Office Building".
H.R. 3308 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 216 East Main Street in Atwood, Indiana, as the "David K.Fribley Post Office".)
H.R. 3235 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 235 MT. Road in Sdield, Connecticut, as the "Corporal Stephen R. Bixler Post Office").
H.R. 3382 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 North William Street in Goldsboro, North Carolina, as the "Phillip A. Baddour, Sr. Post Office").
H.R. 3446 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 202 East Michigan Avenue in Marshall, Michigan, as the "Michael W. Schragg Post Office Building").
H.R. 3572 (An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4320 Blue Parkway in Kansas City, Missouri, as the 'Wallace S. Hartsfield Post Office Building").
S. 2272 (A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service known as the South ark Station in Alexandria as the John Thiels Southpark Station, in honor and memory a Louisiana postal worker who was killed in the line of duty on October 4,2007)

The Senate agreed to the following en bloc by voice vote.
S. Res. 366 (National Methamphetamine Awareness Month).
S. Res. 367 (Resolution commemorating the 40th anniversary of the mass movement for Soviet Jewish freedom and the 20th anniversary of the Freedom Sunday rally for Soviet Jewry on the National Mall).

S. Res. 385 (Honoring those who volunteered to assist in the clean up of the oil spill in San Francisco bay). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 386 (to authorize testimony and legal representation in state of Nebraska versus Premiere Jay Southy). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 387 (expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the degradation of the Jordan river and the Dead Sea). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Con. Res. 535 (the centennial anniversary of the sailing of the navy's great white fleet). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Con. Res. 56 (encouraging the association of Southeast Asian nations to take action to ensure a peaceful transition to democracy in Burma). Agreed to by voice vote.

The following bills had their first reading en bloc:
H.R. 3703 (to amend Title 31 of the United States Code) 2nd reading objected to.
H.R. 3997 (an act to amend Internal Revenue Service Code of 1986 to provide earnings assistance and tax relief to members of the uniformed services). 2nd reading objected to.

The Senate will convene on Tuesday, November 20 at 9:00 AM and will be in a Pro Forma Session.

The Senate adjourned at 2:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in morning business for 60 minutes. At 10:30 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill). Sen. Reid filed cloture on H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill) and the Harkin amend #3500 (Substitute Amendment). All germane amendments must be filed by 1:00 PM today.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

H.R. 4156,(Department of Defense for the fiscal act making emergency supplemental appropriations year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to. The bill was placed on the calendar.

H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

McConnell filed cloture on **S. 2340 (Defense Department Emergency Supplemental).**

H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

H. Con .res 259 (Adjournment Resolution). Agreed to by voice vote.

Sen. Reid motion to proceed to the consideration of H. R. 3996 (Alternative Minimum Tax bill) for a period of debate time and votes was objected to by Sen. McConnell.

Sen. McConnell motion to proceed to the consideration of H. R. 3996 (Alternative Minimum Tax Bill) for a period of debate time and votes was objected to by Sen. Reid.

S 2371 (Amend the Higher Education Act of 1985). Agreed to by voice vote.

H. R. 4156 (Orderly and responsible Iraq redeployment bill). Sen. Reid filed a cloture motion on the motion to proceed to the bill. Sen. Reid withdrew the motion to proceed.

S. 1679 (The Great Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center will be known as "Emancipation hall"). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 2168 (Amend title XVIII to increase penalties for those guilty of identity theft). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 384 (Support for the goals of "National Adoption Day and Month"). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 2362 (Appropriations for military construction and veterans affairs). The first reading of the bill was agreed to by voice vote. The second reading of the bill was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 8:30 AM on Friday, November 16, 2007. At 9:30 AM, The Senate will proceed to a vote on the cloture motion on the motion to proceed to S. 2340 (Iraq Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Bill). If cloture is not invoked, the senate will then vote on the cloture motion on the motion to proceed to H. R. 4159 (The Orderly and Responsible Iraq Redeployment Appropriations Bill). If cloture is not invoked, the Senate will then vote on the cloture motion on the substitute amendment to the H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill). The vote on the cloture motion on H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill) will be delayed to occur if needed upon the adoption of the substitute amendment.

The Senate adjourned at 8:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEDURES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of morning business for 60 minutes. Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

The following bills were considered en bloc:
S. 2334 (Withholds 10% of the Federal apportioned for highway construction and maintenance from states that issued driver's licenses to individuals without verifying the legal status of such individuals). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and the bill was placed on the Senate Calendar.
S. 2340 (Making Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for the Department of Defense). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and the bill was placed on the Senate Calendar.
S. 2346 (Temporarily increases the portfolio caps applicable to Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and the bill was placed on the Senate Calendar.
S. 2348 (Ensures control of the U.S. Border and Strengthens enforcement of immigration laws). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and the bill was placed on the Senate Calendar.
H.R. 3936 (Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and the bill was placed on the Senate Calendar.

H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

The Senate recessed at 2:00 PM for a Senator's briefing.

The Senate reconvened at 3:30 PM.

Conference Report to accompany H. R. 1429 (Head Start Reauthorization Bill). The Conference Report was agreed to by a vote of **95-0**.

H. Con. Res. 258 (). Agreed to by voice vote.

Reid filed cloture on the Harkin amend #3500 (Substitute Amendment) to H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

Reid filed cloture on H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

S. 597 (Extend Postage Stamp for Breast Cancer research). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 299 (Festival of Dalwai). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 368 (SoS on conservation of Atlantic Tunas). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 378 (Recognizing military families sacrifices). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 379 (Feed America Thursday). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 380 (International USA). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 381 (Remembering the lives of the Mary Nole sisters). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 382 (Supporting World Diabetes Day). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, November 15 and will be in morning business for 60 minutes. At 10:30 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill). Sen. Reid filed cloture on H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill) and the Harkin amend #3500 (Substitute Amendment). All germane amendments must be filed by 1:00 PM on Thursday, November 15.

The Senate adjourned at 7:20 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEDURES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed with an Executive Session to consider the nomination of Robert M. Dow to be a US District judge. The Senate will proceed to vote on the nomination at 10:10 AM. The Senate will recess for party caucuses from 12:30 - 2:15 PM.

H.R. 3495 (An act to establish a national commission on children and disasters). 2nd reading.

H.R. 3685 (An act to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation). 2nd reading.

The Senate proceeded with an Executive Session.

Robert M. Dow, Jr. to be a US District judge. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **86-0**.

The Senate recessed at 12:30 PM.

The Senate reconvened at 2:15 PM.

H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

Cal. #206 (James Kunder to be Deputy Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development). Objected to by Sen. Chambliss on behalf of Sen. Coburn.

Cal. #335 (Henrietta Fore to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development). Agreed to by UC.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 377 (Recognizing and Celebrating the Centennial of Oklahoma's Statehood). Agreed to by UC.

The following bills will be read for the first time en bloc:
S. 2334 (Withholds 10% of the Federal apportioned for highway construction and maintenance from states that issued driver's licenses to individuals without verifying the legal status of such individuals).
S. 2340 (Making Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for the Department of Defense).

S. 2346 (Temporarily increases the portfolio caps applicable to Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae).
S. 2348 (Ensures control of the U.S. Border and Strengthens enforcement of immigration laws).
H.R. 3936 (Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions).
Second reading objected to and placed on the calendar en bloc.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, November 14, 2007 and will be in a period of morning business for 60 minutes. Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

The Senate adjourned at 8:02 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2007

The Senate will convene on Friday, November 9 at 10:00 AM and will be in a Pro Forma session. The Senate will convene on Tuesday, November 13 and will proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of Robert M. Dowd to be a US District Judge. The Senate will proceed to vote on the nomination at 10:10 AM.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Pro Forma Session.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, November 13, 2007. The Senate will proceed with an Executive Session to consider the nomination of Robert M. Dowd to be a US District judge. The Senate will proceed to vote on the nomination at 10:10 AM. The Senate will recess for party caucuses from 12:30 – 2:15. When the Senate reconvenes, they may resume consideration of H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

The Senate adjourned at 10:04 AM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2007

The Senate will convene at 9:45 AM and will be in morning business for 60 minutes. The Senate will then resume consideration of the President's Veto Message on H. R. 1495 (Water Resources Development Act of 2007). There will be 40 minutes of debate followed by a vote on passage of the bill.

S. 2318 (Amend the Internal Revenue Code to repeal the alternative minimum tax). 2nd reading.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a period of morning business.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

President's Veto Message on H.R. 1495 (Water Resources Development Act of 2007). Yeas and nays ordered. The bill, on reconsideration, is passed, the objections of the President of the United States to the contrary notwithstanding, by a vote of **79-14.**

H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill). Laid aside.

Conference Report to accompany H.R. 3222 (Department of Defense Appropriations). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

Cal. #374 (The nomination of Michael Mukasey to be U.S. Attorney General). The nomination was confirmed **53-40.**

Conference Report to accompany H.R. 3222 (Department of Defense Appropriations). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 373 (Job recruitment of Veterans). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene on Friday, November 9 at 10:00 AM and will be in a Pro Forma session. The Senate will convene on Tuesday, November 13 and will proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of Robert M. Dowd to be a US District Judge. The Senate will proceed to vote on the nomination at 10:10 AM.

The Senate adjourned at 11:40 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM on Wednesday and will proceed as a body to the House of Representatives for a Joint Meeting at 11:00 AM to hear an address by Nicolas Sarkozy, the President of France. The Senate will stand in recess subject to the call of the chair. Following the Joint Meeting, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of the Conference Report to H.R. 3043 (Labor-HHS Appropriations Bill).

Conference Report to H.R. 3043 (Labor-HHS Appropriations Bill).

Hutchison Point of Order under Rule 28, that the text of the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Bill, H.R. 2642, which constitutes Division "B" of the Conference Report for H.R. 3043, is new matter as it was not contained in either the House or Senate-passed bills. Harkin Motion to Waive the Point of Order. Yeas and Nays ordered. The motion to waive the point of order was not agreed to by a vote **47-46**. The point of order was sustained and the language that was proposed was stricken.

Motion to recede and concur with further amendment to the Conference Report on H. R. 3043 (Labor-HHS Appropriations Bill). Yeas and nays ordered. The motion was agreed to by a vote of **56-37**. The Conference Report to accompany H. R. 3043 (Labor-HHS Appropriations Bill) must go back to the House of Representatives for approval.

President's Veto Message on H. R. 1495 (Water Resources Development Act of 2007). Under a unanimous consent agreement, there will be 3 hours of debate tonight. The veto message will then be laid aside until Thursday, November 8, 2007. Following Morning Business, there will be 40 minutes of debate followed by a vote on passage of the bill, the objection of the President not withstanding

The senate proceeded with morning business

H. R. 2602 (The naming of a Department of Veteran's Affairs Building in Michigan). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 680 (Proper oversight in federal contracting). Agreed to by voice vote, as amended.

S. 2318 (Amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 regarding the alternative minimum tax). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 9:45 AM on Thursday, November 8, 2007. There will be 60 minutes of morning business. The Senate will then resume consideration of the President's Veto Message on H. R. 1495 (Water Resources Development Act of 2007). There will be 40 minutes of debate followed by a vote on passage of the bill.

The Senate adjourned at 7:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, November 6 and will be in morning business for 60 minutes. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill). The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the party lunches.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a period of morning business.

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

Sen. Reid asked unanimous consent that the amendments to H.R. 2419 be relevant to the bill or the substitute amendment. Sen. Chambliss objected.

Dorgan amend #3508 (To strengthen payment limitations and direct the savings to increased funding for certain programs). Yeas and nays ordered. Laid aside.

Reid 2nd degree amend #3509 (Sets effective date) to Dorgan amend #3508 (To strengthen payment limitations and direct the savings to increased funding for certain programs). Laid aside.

Reid amend #3510 (Sets effective date) to the Harkin amend #3500 (Substitute Amendment). Yeas and nays ordered. Laid aside.

Reid 2nd degree amend #3511 (Technical changes) to Reid amend #3510 (Sets effective date). Laid aside.

Reid motion to commit H.R. 2419 to the Agriculture Committee with instructions to report back with the following amend #3512 (Instructions of the Motion to Commit). Yeas and nays ordered. Laid aside.

Reid amend #3513 (Technical changes) to the instructions to the motion to commit. Yeas and nays ordered. Laid aside.

Reid 2nd degree amend #3514 (Technical changes) to amend #3513 (Technical changes).

The Senate recessed at 12:30 PM for weekly party luncheons.

The Senate convened at 2:15 PM.

H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #371 (Patrick Francis Kennedy to be an Under Secretary of State). Agreed to by UC.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Reid asked Unanimous Consent that the President Pro Tempore appoint a Committee on the part of the Senate to join with the like Committee on the part of the House to escort Nicolas Sarkozy, President of France, to the House Chamber for a Joint Meeting of Congress at 11:00 AM Wednesday.

S. Res. 369 (Drive Safer Sunday). Agreed to by UC.

S. Res. 370 (Supporting and Encouraging Greater Support for Veterans' Day each year). Agree to by UC.

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, November 7, 2007. The Senate will proceed as a body to the House of Representatives for a Joint Meeting at 11:00 AM to hear an address by Nicolas Sarkozy, the President of France. The Senate will stand in recess until 12:15 PM. Following the Joint Meeting, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of the Conference Report to H.R. 3043 (Labor-HHS Appropriations Bill).

The Senate adjourned at 9:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2007

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. At 3:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

Harkin amend #3500 (Substitute Amendment).

S. 1347 (Omnibus Indian Advancement Act). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, November 6 and will be in morning business for 60 minutes. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill). The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the party lunches.

The Senate adjourned at 7:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of morning business.

S. 2293 (A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the individual alternative minimum tax and for other purposes). 2nd reading.

S. 2294 (A Kyl bill to strengthen immigration enforcement and border security and for other purposes). 2nd reading.

S. 1163 (Amends Title 38, United States Code). Committee Reported Substitute Agreed to by UC. Bill read a third time. Returned to Calendar.
H.R. 79 (House Companion to S. 1163). All after enacting clause be striken and S. 1163, as amended be inserted thereafter. Bill read a third time and passed by UC.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, November 5, 2007 and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. At 3:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

The Senate adjourned at 12:20 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2007

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of morning business for 60 minutes. Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to H.R. 3963 (Children's Health Insurance Act).

H.R. 3963 (Children's Health Insurance Act).

Sen. Reid filed Motion to invoke cloture on H.R. 3963 (Children's Health Insurance Act).

Motion to invoke cloture on H.R. 3963 (Children's Health Insurance Act). The motion to invoke cloture was agreed to **65-30.**

H.R. 3963 (Children's Health Insurance Act). The bill passed by a vote of **64-30.**

H.R. 2546 (Designate the VA Department medical center in Asheville, North Carolina as the Charles George building). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session and confirmed the following nominations by unanimous consent:

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AIRPORTS AUTHORITY

- Charles Darwin Snelling to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority
- Robert Clarke Brown to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

- Daniel D. Heath to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Sean R. Mulvaney to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development

AIR FORCE

- The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:. to be Lieutenant General Maj. Gen. Edward A. Rice, Jr.
- The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601: to be Lieutenant General Maj. Gen. Glenn F. Spears

ARMY

- The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624: to be Major General Brig. Gen. Carroll F. Pollett

· The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601: to be Lieutenant General Maj. Gen. Benjamin R. Mixon

· The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601: to be Lieutenant General Maj. Gen. David H. Huntoon, Jr.

· The following named officer for appointment as the Surgeon General, United States Army, and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., sections 601 and 3036: to be Lieutenant General Maj. Gen. Eric B. Schoomaker

· The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 624 and 3064: to be Major General Brig. Gen. David A. Rubenstein

MARINE CORPS

· The following named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general in the United States Marine Corps while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601: to be Lieutenant General Maj. Gen. Samuel T. Helland

NAVY

· The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601: to be Vice Admiral Rear Adm. Bernard J. McCullough, III

COAST GUARD

· The following named officer for appointment in the United States Coast Guard Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203: to be Rear Admiral (Lower Half) Capt. Steven E. Day

· The following named officers for appointment in the United States Coast Guard to the grade indicated under title 14, U.S.C., section 271: to be Rear Admiral (Lower Half)

Capt. Kevin S. Cook
Capt. Daniel A. Neptun
Capt. Thomas P. Ostebo
Capt. Steven H. Ratti
Capt. Keith A. Taylor
Capt. James A. Watson

AIR FORCE

· AIR FORCE nomination of Ernest Valdez, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 27, 2007.

· AIR FORCE nominations (3) beginning LAURA M. HUNTER, and ending GEORGE W. RYAN JR., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 27, 2007.

· AIR FORCE nomination of Cheryl A. Kearney, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 18, 2007.

· AIR FORCE nomination of Noel P. Kornett, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 18, 2007.

· AIR FORCE nomination of Michael Maine Jr., which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 18, 2007.

· AIR FORCE nominations (2) beginning MICHAEL T. BUTLER, and ending ROBERT CANNON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 18, 2007.

ARMY

· ARMY nomination of Max B. Bullen, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 27, 2007.

· ARMY nominations (4) beginning JOHN A. MCHENRY, and ending ALAN S. WALLER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 27, 2007.

· ARMY nominations (2) beginning EDWARD F. FREDERICK, and ending GREGORY CHARLTON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 27, 2007.

COAST GUARD

· COAST GUARD nominations (158) beginning ALBERT R. AGNICH, and ending Michael B. Zamperini, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 16, 2007.

MARINE CORPS

· MARINE CORPS nomination of KEVIN M. GONZALEZ, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 22, 2007.

· MARINE CORPS nomination of Thomas J. Keating, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 20, 2007.

· MARINE CORPS nomination of Gerald R. Brown, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 27, 2007.

NAVY

· NAVY nomination of Stephen T. Vargo, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2007.

· NAVY nominations (4) beginning GARY TABACH, and ending KELVIN L. REED, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 18, 2007.

S. 2293 (A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the individual alternative minimum tax and for other purposes). 1st reading.

S. 2294 (A Kyl bill to strengthen immigration enforcement and border security and for other purposes). 1st reading.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Friday, November 2 and will be in a period of morning business.

The Senate adjourned at 7:50 PM.