

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2013**

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed to consideration of H.R. 325 (To ensure the complete and timely payment of the obligations of the United States Government until May 19, 2013). The following amendments will be in order to the bill, and each will be subject to a 60-yea vote threshold:

Portman amend (Dollar for dollar cuts).

Portman amend (Shutdown government prevention).

Toomey amend (Full faith and credit).

Paul (Prohibition, F-16 Egypt).

Vitter Motion to Commit the bill.

At 12:15 PM, the Senate will vote on the first in the series of amendments. Following disposition of the first amendment, the Senate will recess until 2:15 PM for party caucus meetings. At 2:15 PM, the Senate will then begin a series of votes on the remaining above amendments and conclude with final passage of the bill.

The Senate convened at 9:30 AM and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

**H.R. 325 (To ensure the complete and timely payment of the obligations of the United States Government until May 19, 2013).**

Portman amend #6 (Text of the Dollar-for-Dollar Deficit Reduction Act). Baucus Motion to Table the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table is agreed to by a vote of 54-44.

The Senate recessed from 12:45 until 2:15 PM.

The Senate reconvened and resumed a Legislative Session.

Portman amend #7 (To amend title 31, United States Code, to provide for automatic continuing resolutions). Mikulski Motion to Table the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table was agreed to by a vote of 52-46.

Toomey amend #8 (To protect Social Security benefits and military pay and require that the United States Government prioritize all obligations on the debt held by the public in the event that the debt limit is reached). Baucus Motion to Table the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table was agreed to by a vote of 53-45.

Paul amend #9 (To prohibit the sale, lease, transfer, retransfer, or delivery of F-16 aircraft, M1 tanks, or certain other defense articles or services to the Government of Egypt). Leahy Motion to Table the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table was agreed to by a vote of 79-19.

Vitter Motion to Commit the bill. Baucus Motion to Table the Motion to Commit to H.R. 325 (Debt Limit Act). Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table the Motion to Commit was agreed to by a vote of 53-45.

**H.R. 325 (To ensure the complete and timely payment of the obligations of the United States Government until May 19, 2013).** Final passage. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill passed by a vote of 64-34.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994).**

S. Res. 24 (10 year anniversary of the loss of the Space Shuttle Columbia). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 25 (125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Gonzaga University). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 201 (a bill to prohibit the sale, lease, transfer, retransfer or delivery of F-16 aircraft, M-1 tanks or certain other defense articles or services to the government of Egypt). The bill was read for the first time. The second reading was objected to.

S. 204 (a bill to preserve and probing the free choice of individual employees to perform, join or assist labor organizations or to refrain from such activities). The bill was read for the first time. The second reading was objected to.

The Senate will convene on Monday, February 4, 2013 at 2:00 PM and will be in a period of Morning Business. At 5:00 PM, the Senate will resume consideration of **S. 47 (Reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994)**. At 5:30 PM the Senate will vote on the Motion to Proceed to S. 47.

The Senate adjourned at 6:10 PM.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2013**

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business for two hours. At 2:30 PM, Sen. Kerry will be recognized to give his farewell address. The Senate hopes to complete consideration of the debt limit legislation before the end of the week.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a period of Morning Business.

S. 177 (A bill to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 entirely.). The bill was read for the second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 13 (Delta Sigma Theta Sorority). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 22 (Catholic Schools Week). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, January 31, 2013 and will proceed to consideration of H.R. 325 (To ensure the complete and timely payment of the obligations of the United States Government until May 19, 2013). The following amendments will be in order to the bill, and each will be subject to a 60-year vote threshold:

Portman amend (Dollar for dollar cuts).

Portman amend (Shutdown government prevention).

Toomey amend (Full faith and credit).

Paul (Prohibition, F-16 Egypt).

Vitter Motion to Commit the bill.

At 12:15 PM, the Senate will vote on the first in the series of amendments. Following disposition of the first amendment, the Senate will recess until 2:15 PM for party caucus meetings. At 2:15 PM, the Senate will then begin a series of votes on the remaining above amendments and conclude with final passage of the bill.

The Senate will adjourn at 6:28 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2013

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed to a period of Morning Business until 12:30 PM. The Senate will then recess until 2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons. The Senate is expected to consider the Kerry nomination during today's session.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. 164 (Prohibits the U.S. from providing financial assistance to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed). The bill is read for a second time. Further consideration was objected to and the bill was placed on the calendar.

At 2:15 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to consider the nomination of John Kerry to be Secretary of State. There will be two hours of debate prior to a vote on the nomination at approximately 4:15 PM.

The Senate recessed from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

The Senate convened at 2:15 PM and proceeded to an Executive Session.

**John F. Kerry to be Secretary of State.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 94-3 with one Senator voting Present.

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

The letter of resignation of Senator John F. Kerry of Massachusetts, effective Friday, February 1, at 4:00 PM was deemed read by the Chair.

S. Res. 14 (National Stalking Awareness Month). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 20 (Designating Chairman on Foreign Relations Committee).

S. 177 (A bill to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 entirely.). The bill was read for the first time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, January 30, 2013 and will proceed with a period of Morning Business for two hours. At 2:30 PM, Sen. Kerry will be recognized to give his farewell address. The Senate hopes to complete consideration of the debt limit legislation before the end of the week.

The Senate adjourned at 6:47 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2013

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. At 4:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of H.R. 152 (Sandy Relief Bill). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes, one on a Lee amendment to H.R. 152 (Sandy Relief Bill) and one on final passage of the bill. On Tuesday, January 29, 2013 at a time to be determined, the Senate will vote on the confirmation of John Kerry to be Secretary of State.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The following bills were considered en bloc:

S. 47 (Violence Against Women Act of 1994 Reauthorization Act).

H.R. 152 (Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013).

S. 81 (A bill to provide guidance and priorities for Federal Government obligations in the event that the debt limit is reached).

S. 82 (A bill to provide that any executive action infringing on the Second Amendment has no force or effect, and to prohibit the use of funds for certain purposes).

S. 83 (A bill to provide for continuing operations of Government in a fiscally responsible manner).

S. 124 (A bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills).

H.R. 325 (To ensure the complete and timely payment of the obligations of the United States Government until May 19, 2013).

The bills were read for a second time en bloc. Further readings were objected to and the bills will be placed on the calendar.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

### **H.R. 152 (Disaster Relief Appropriations Act 2013).**

Lee amend #4 (To offset the costs of the bill with rescissions and discretionary cap reductions). The amendment is subject to a 60-yea vote threshold for passage. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of 35-62.

**H.R. 152 (Disaster Relief Appropriations Act 2013).** Yeas and nays ordered. Final passage. The bill is subject to a 60-yea vote threshold for passage. The bill passed by a vote of 62-36.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 9 (National Mentoring Month). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 19 (University of Alabama National Champions). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 164 (Prohibits the U.S. from providing financial assistance to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed). The bill is read for a first time. A second reading was objected to and the bill will be read for a second time on the next legislative day.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, January 29, 2013 and will proceed to a period of Morning Business until 12:30 PM. The Senate will then recess until 2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons. The Senate is expected to consider the Kerry nomination during Tuesday's session.

The Senate adjourned at 7:02 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2013**

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with a period for Morning Business debate until 12:00 Noon.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

The Senate recessed from 12:22-2:00 PM for caucus meetings.

The Senate convened at 2:00 PM and resumed a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 5 (a resolution amending the Standing Rules of the Senate to provide for cloture to be invoked with less than a three-fifths majority after additional debate). The resolution was **not** agreed to by voice vote.

Lee amendment #3 (would guarantee every Senator the right to offer one germane amendment post-cloture) to S. Res. 15 was **not** agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 15 (A resolution providing a Standing Order to improve procedures for the consideration of legislation and nominations in the Senate). Subject to a 60-affirmative vote threshold. Yeas and nays ordered. The resolution was agreed to by a vote of **78-16**.

S. Res. 16 (A resolution amending the Standing Rules of the Senate relative to conference motions and bipartisan cloture motions on the motion to proceed). Subject to an affirmative threshold of 2/3 Senators present and voting. The resolution was agreed to by a vote of **86-9**.

S. Res. 17 (Constitute Membership of Majority Party on Committees). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 18 (Minority party appointments for the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H.R. 325 (Ensure the timely payment of the U.S Government). Bill was read for the first time. Second reading was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, January 28, 2013 and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. At 4:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of H.R. 152 (Sandy Relief Bill). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes, one on a Lee amendment to H.R. 152 and one on final passage of the bill. On Tuesday, January 29, 2013 at a time to be determined, the Senate will vote on the confirmation of John Kerry to be Secretary of State.

The Senate adjourned at 9:00 PM.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2013**

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:00 PM.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a period of Morning Business.

The following were considered en bloc:

S. 81 (Guidance and priorities for Federal Government obligation in the event that the debt limit is reached). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Second reading was objected to.

S. 82 (Provide that an Executive action infringing on the second amendment has no force or effect and to prohibit the use of funds). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Second reading was objected to.

S. 83 (Continuing operations of the Government in a fiscally responsible manner). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Second reading was objected to.

S. 124 (Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any Fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Second reading was objected to.

The Senate recess until 9:30 AM on Thursday, January 24, 2013. The Senate will proceed with a period for Morning Business debate until 12:00 Noon.

The Senate recessed at 6:38 PM.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2013**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:30 PM. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a period of Morning Business.

The Senate recessed at 12:39 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

At 2:15 PM, the Senate reconvened and proceeded with Morning Business.

The following bills are considered en bloc:

S. 47 (Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization).

H.R. 152 (Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013).

The bills were read for the first time en bloc. Further readings were objected to and the bills will be read for a second time on the next calendar day.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, January 23, 2013 and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:00 PM.

The Senate recessed at 7:02 PM.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2013**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:30 PM. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a period of Morning Business.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 2013**

The Senate convened at 11:30 AM for the Joint Session of the Inaugural Ceremonies.

The Senate will then convene at 10 AM on Tuesday, January, 22, 2013 and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:30 PM. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

The Senate recessed at the conclusion of the Joint Session of the Inaugural Ceremonies.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 4, 2013**

The Senate will convene at 12:30 PM. At 12:45 PM, the Senate will proceed together for a Joint Session of Congress for the counting of electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States.

The Senate convened at 12:30 PM.

The Senate recessed at 12:32 PM subject to the Call of the Chair.

The Senate proceeded together for a Joint Session of Congress for the counting of electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States.

The Senate convened at 1:56 PM.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

H.R. 41 (To temporarily increase the borrowing authority of the Federal Emergency Management Agency for carrying out the National Flood Insurance Program). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

The Senate will convene at 11:30 AM on Monday, January 21, 2012 for the Joint Session of the Inaugural Ceremonies. The Senate will then convene at 10 am on Tuesday, January, 22, 2012 and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:30 PM. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

The Senate recessed under the provisions of S. Con. Res. 3 (Adjournment Resolution) at 2:12 PM.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2013**

The Senate will convene the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress pursuant to the Constitution at 12:00 Noon. There will be a Live Quorum at 12:00 Noon, followed by the swearing-in of our new and recently reelected Senators.

The Senate convened the first session of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress and proceeded with a Live Quorum.

The Vice President of the United States proceeded to swear in newly elected and reelected Senators.

The Senate proceeded to a Live Quorum call.

S. Res. 1 (Informing the President of the U.S. that a Quorum of each House is assembled). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 2 (Informing the House of Representatives that a Quorum is present). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Con. Res. 1 (To provide for the counting on January 4, 2013 of the electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The Senate designates Senator Schumer and Senator Alexander as tellers on the part of the Senate to count electoral votes.

S. Con. Res. 2 (Extending the life of the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 3 (Fixing the hour of the daily meeting of the Senate). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The following Unanimous Consent requests were considered en bloc:

1. That for the duration of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, the Ethics Committee be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate.
2. That for the duration of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, there be a limitation of 15 minutes each upon any roll call vote, with the warning signal to be sounded at the midway point, beginning at the last 7 ½ minutes, and when roll call votes are of 10 minute duration, the warning signal be sounded at the beginning of the last 7 ½ minutes.
3. That during the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, it be in order for the Secretary of the Senate to receive reports at the desk when presented by a Senator at any time during the day of the session of the Senate.
4. That the Majority and Minority Leaders may daily have up to 10 minutes each on each calendar day following the prayer and disposition of the reading of, or the approval of, the Journal.
5. That the Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives and his five assistants be given the privileges of the floor during the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.

6. That notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXVIII, conference reports and statements accompanying them not be printed as Senate reports when such conference reports and statements have been printed as a House report unless specific request is made in the Senate in each instance to have such a report printed.

7. That the Committee on Appropriations be authorized during the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress to file reports during adjournments or recesses of the Senate on appropriations bills, including joint resolutions, together with any accompanying notices of motions to suspend Rule XVI, pursuant to Rule V, for the purpose of offering certain amendments to such bills or joint resolutions, which proposed amendments shall be printed.

8. That for the duration of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to make technical and clerical corrections in the engrossments of all Senate-passed bills and joint resolutions, Senate amendments to House bills and resolutions, Senate amendments to House amendments to Senate bills and resolutions, and Senate amendments to House amendments to Senate amendments to House bills or resolutions.

9. That for the duration of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, when the Senate is in recess or adjournment, the Secretary of the Senate is authorized to receive message from the President of the United States, and –with the exception of House bills, joint resolutions and concurrent resolutions–messages from the House of Representatives; and that they be appropriately referred; and that the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the Acting President pro tempore be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions.

10. That for the duration of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, Senators be allowed to leave at the desk with the Journal Clerk the names of two staff members who will be granted the privilege of the floor during the consideration of the specific matter noted, and that the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to rotate staff members as space allows.

11. That for the duration of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, it be in order to refer treaties and nominations on the day when they are received from the President, even when the Senate has no executive session that day.

12. That for the duration of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, Senators may be allowed to bring to the desk, bills, joint resolutions, concurrent resolutions and simple resolutions, for referral to appropriate committees.

Agreed to, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

Reid asked Unanimous Consent that for the duration of the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, the Ethics Committee be authorized to meet during any session of the Senate. Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

Reid asked Unanimous Consent that the first day for the introduction of bills and joint resolutions in the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress be Tuesday, January 22, 2013. Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Con. Res. 3 (Providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

Udall (NM) asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate proceed to S. Res. 4 (To limit certain uses of the filibuster in the Senate to improve the legislative process). Objected to by Sen. Alexander. The resolution will go over under the rule.

Udall (NM) asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate proceed to S. Res. 5 (Amending the Standing Rules of the Senate to provide for cloture to be invoked with less than a three-fifths majority after additional debate). Objected to by Sen. Alexander. The resolution will go over under the rule.

Merkley asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate proceed to S. Res. 6 (To modify extended debate in the Senate to improve the legislative process). Objected to by Sen. Alexander. The resolution will go over under the rule.

Merkley asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate proceed to S. Res. 7 (To permit the Senate to avoid unnecessary debate and vote on matters for which floor debate has ceased). Objected to by Sen. Alexander. The resolution will go over under the rule.

The Senate stands in recess at 1:09 PM subject to the Call of the Chair.

The Senate convened at 4:09 PM.

The Senate will convene at 12:30 PM on Friday, January 4, 2012. At 12:45 PM, the Senate will proceed together for a Joint Session of Congress for the counting of electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States.

The Senate recessed at 4:10 PM.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2013**

The Senate will convene at 12:00 PM will proceed with a period of Morning Business until 1:30 PM.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a period of Morning Business.

Senator Reid asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate proceed to an Executive Session and proceed to Cal. #721 (David Medine to be Chairman and Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring Jan. 29, 2012) and Cal. #722 (David Medine to be Chairman and Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring Jan. 29, 2018), and that the nominations be agreed to. Objected to by Senator Grassley.

The Chair lays before the Senate the resignation of Jim DeMint of South Carolina.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

PN 1404 (Erica Groshen to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics). Confirmed by Voice Vote.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

PN 1928 (Deborah Ann McCarthy to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Lithuania).

PN 1951 (Robert F. Godecto to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Kenya).

Confirmed, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

H.R. 4606 (To authorize the issuance of right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines in Glacier National Park). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H.R. 6655 (Protect Our Kids Act of 2012). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

S. 3716 (Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 630 (USS Enterprise). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress pursuant to the Constitution at 12:00 Noon on Thursday, January 3, 2013. There will be a Live Quorum at 12:00 Noon, followed by the swearing-in of our new and recently reelected Senators.

The Senate adjourned at 5:07 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2013

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, January 01, 2013. The Senate will proceed with a period of Morning Business until 3:30 PM.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

H.R. 459 (Federal Reserve Transparency Act of 2012). The bill is read for a second time. Further readings are objected to and the bill is placed on the calendar.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

Cal. #870 (William Doyle to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner).

Cal. #871 (Michael Huerta to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration).

Cal. #878 (James Demers to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation).

Cal. #879 (Naomi Walker to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation).

Cal. #911 (Jonathan Lippman to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring Sept. 17, 2012).

Cal. #912 (Jonathan Lippman to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring Sept. 17, 2015).

Cal. #913 (Maria Jackson to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts).

Cal. #914 (Joseph Donovan to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences).

Cal. #915 (Bruce Sievers to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities).

Cal. #916 (Angela Dickinson to be U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Missouri).

Cal. #917 (Col. Stephen Linsenmeyer Jr. to be Brig. General, U.S. Air Force).

Cal. #918 (Col. Calvin Elam to be Brig. General, U.S. Air Force).

Cal. #919 (4 Brig. Generals to be Maj. Generals, U.S. Air Force).

Cal. #920 (26 Colonels to be Brig. Generals, U.S. Air Force).

Cal. #932 (Rear Adm. Kenneth Floyd to be Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy).

Cal. #933 (Edward Brehm to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation).

Cal. #934 (Iqbal Paroo to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation).

Cal. #935 (Charles Cooper to be an Assistant Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development).

Cal. #941 (Patrick Wilkerson to be U.S. Marshal for the Eastern District of Oklahoma).

Cal. #942 (Louise Kelton to be U.S. Marshal for the Middle District of Tennessee).

Cal. #943 (Lorne Craner to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation).

Cal. #944 (Maj. Gen. Lori Robinson to be Lt. General, U.S. Air Force).

Cal. #945 (Maj. Gen. Gregory Biscone to be Lt. General, U.S. Air Force).  
Cal. #946 Col. Lisa Naftzger-Kang to be Brig. General, U.S. Air Force).  
Cal. #947 (7 Brig. Generals to be Maj. Generals, U.S. Air Force).  
Cal. #948 (8 Brig. Generals to be Maj. Generals, U.S. Air Force).  
Cal. #949 (12 Colonels to be Brig. Generals, U.S. Air Force).  
Cal. #950 (Lt. General Stanley Clarke III to be Lt. General).  
Cal. #951 (Col. Jody Daniels to be Brig. General, U.S. Army).  
Cal. #952 (Maj. General Bernard Champoux to be Lt. General, U.S. Army).  
Cal. #953 (Col. Michael Scholes to be Brig. General, U.S. Army).  
Cal. #954 (33 Colonels to be Brig. Generals, U.S. Army).  
Cal. #955 (Rear Admiral Randolph Mahr to be Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy).  
Cal. #956 (Lt. Gen. Steven Hummer to be Lt. General, U.S. Marine Corps).  
Cal. #957 (Lt. General Richard Tryon to be Lt. General, U.S. Marine Corps).  
Cal. #958 (Albert Lauber to be a Judge of the U.S. Tax Court).  
Cal. #959 (Ronald Buch to be a Judge of the U.S. Tax Court).  
Cal. #960 (David Masumoto to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts).  
Cal. #961 (Ramon Saldivar to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities).  
Cal. #962 (William Mielke to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation).  
Cal. #963 (Arthur Sulzer to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation).  
Cal. #964 (George Moose to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the U.S. Institute of Peace).  
Confirmed, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

Cal. #645 (Richard Berner to be Director, Office of Financial Research, Department of the Treasury). Confirmed by Voice Vote.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

PN 1878 (Gary Greene).

PN 1970 (a list beginning with Philip Goldberg and ending with Robert Weitzel).

PN 2028 (Michael Hardegen).

PN 2029 (a list beginning with Geoffrey Wiggin and ending with Eric Wenberg, with the exception of Geoffrey Wiggin).

PN 2030 (a list beginning with Stephen Gonyea and ending with Katharine Antonia Weber, with the exception of Scott Cameron).

PN 2031 (a list beginning with Sharon Lee Cromer and ending with Clinton David White, with the exceptions of Sharon Lee Cromer and Maria Rendon Labadan).

PN 2032 (a list beginning with Karl Miller Adam and ending with Daniel Menco Hirsch, with the exception of Daniel Menco Hirsch).

Confirmed, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

PN 1919 (Joshua Wright, Federal Trade Commission).

PN 1774 (Polly Ellen Trottenberg, Under Secretary, Department of Transportation).

PN 1924 (Mark Doms, Under Secretary, Department of Commerce).

PN 1702 (Mignon Clyburn, Federal Communications Commission).  
PN 1925 (Christopher Beall, Amtrak Board of Directors).  
PN 1509 (Yvonne Burke, Amtrak Board of Directors).  
PN 2009 (Brigid Pavilonis and one other, Coast Guard).  
PN 2010 (Barbara Anderson and others, Coast Guard).  
PN 2011 (Charles Alcock and others, Coast Guard).  
PN 2012 (Matthew Barker and others, Coast Guard).  
PN 2021 (Peter Brown and others, Coast Guard).  
PN 2045 (Robert Hanley and others, Coast Guard).  
PN 2046 (Austin Adcock and others, Coast Guard).  
PN 1948 (Keith Kelly to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training).  
PN 1698 (Walter Shaub Jr. to be Director of the Office of Governmental Ethics).  
PN 1966 (Joe Ritch to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority).  
PN 1965 (Michael McWherter to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority).  
PN 1964 (Vera Lynn Evans to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority).  
PN 1398 (Peter Mahurin to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority).  
PN 1950 (Beth Rosenberg to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board).  
Confirmed, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

PN 2068 (Morton Halperin to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation).  
PN 1566 (Maria Lopez DeLeon, National Council on the Arts).  
PN 1934 (Bruce Carter, National Council on the Arts).  
PN 1945 (Joseph Eldridge, U.S. Institute of Peace).  
PN 1939 (Stewart DeSoto, Board of Trustees, Barry Goldwater Scholarship Foundation).  
PN 1796 (Camila Alire, National Council on the Humanities).  
PN 1926 (William McDermott, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Board).  
PN 1927 (Nina Mitchell Wells, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Board).  
Confirmed, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

H.R. 4365 (To amend title 5, United States Code, to make clear that accounts in the Thrift Savings Fund are subject to certain Federal tax levies). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H. Con. Res. 147 (Waiving the requirement that measures enrolled during the remainder of the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress be printed in parchment). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

**The Senate will convene at 12:00 PM on Wednesday, January 2, 2013 and will be in a period of Morning Business until 1:30 PM.**

**The Senate adjourned at 5:59 PM.**