

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2014**

The Senate will convene for a pro forma session only with no business conducted at 12:00 Noon. Following the pro forma session, the Senate will adjourn until the next pro forma session on Thursday, July 3, 2014 at 1:30 PM.

The Senate will then convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, July 7, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on confirmation of Cal. #738, Cheryl Krause to be US Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. Following the disposition of the Krause nomination, the Senate will proceed to a Legislative Session and will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2363 (To protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting).

The Senate convened at 12:00 Noon for a pro forma session.

The Senate adjourned at 12:01 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with Morning Business until 12:00 PM. The Senate then proceed to a vote on Cal. #738, Cheryl Krause to be US Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. Additionally, at 1:45 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the following nominations:

Cal. #897, Stuart E. Jones, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Iraq.

Cal. #896, Robert Stephen Beecroft to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Arab Republic of Egypt.

Cal. #654 Karen Dynan to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Cal. #557, Esther Puakela Kia'aina to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Cal. #620 Vincent G. Logan to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior.

Cal. #503 Jo Emily Handelsman to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

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

H. R. 3301 (North American Energy Infrastructure Act). The second reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to and the bill was placed on the Senate Calendar.

The Senate then proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #738, Cheryl Krause to be US Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 57-39.

**Cal. #897, Stuart E. Jones, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Iraq.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 93-0.

**Cal. #896, Robert Beecroft to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Arab Republic of Egypt.** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #654 Karen Dynan to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #557, Esther Puakela Kia'aina to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #620 Vincent G. Logan to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior.** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #503 Jo Emily Handelsman to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy. The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.**

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Sessions asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to S. 202 (Accountability Through Electronic Verification Act) and that the bill be read three times and passed. Durbin objected.

Sessions asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to S. 91 (Child Tax Credit Integrity Preservation Act of 2013) and that the bill be read three times and passed. Durbin objected.

S. 2076 (Amend the Provisions of Title 46, United States Code). The bill as amended was agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 1799 (Victims of Child Abuse Act of 1990). The bill as amended was agreed to by unanimous consent.

H.R. 2388 (To take certain Federal lands located in El Dorado County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, and for other purposes). The bill was agreed to by unanimous consent.

The following resolutions were agreed to en bloc by unanimous consent:

- S. Res. 490
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S. Res. 494 (Relative to the death of former Senator Howard Baker). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 2562 (a bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America). The bill was read for the first time. The second reading was objected to.

The Senate will convene for pro forma sessions only with no business conducted on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, the Senate will adjourn until the next pro forma session:

- Monday, June 30 at 12 Noon.
- Thursday, July 3 at 1:30 PM.

The Senate will then convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, July 7, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on confirmation of Cal. #738, Cheryl Krause to be US Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. Following the disposition of the Krause nomination, the Senate will proceed to a Legislative Session and will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2363 (To protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting).

The Senate adjourned at 6:42 PM pursuant to S. Res. 494 (Relative to the death of former Senator Howard Baker).

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM, and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:00 Noon. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session to consider H.R. 803 (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act). At 2:30 PM, there will be up to 4 roll call votes on amendments to and final passage of H.R. 803 (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act).

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

Motion to Proceed to S. 2363 (To protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting). Laid aside.

By unanimous consent, following final passage of H.R. 803 (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act), the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the following:

- Cal. #499 (Jessica Garfola Wright, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness).
- Cal. #501 (Jamie Michael Morin, to be Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, Department of Defense).
- Cal. #787 (Thomas P. Kelly III to be Ambassador of the United States to the Republic of Djibouti).

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**H.R. 803 (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act).**

Murray amend #3778 (Substitute amendment).

Murray amend #3381 (Manager's amendment). Laid aside.

Flake amend #3379 (To make the appointment and certification of a new local board permissible instead of required). Laid aside.

Lee amend #3380 (To require that evaluation reports are due every fourth year, to establish a reservation of funds in a fiscal year in which a report is due, and to establish a reduction in funds if a report is not submitted). Laid aside.

Flake amend #3379 (To make the appointment and certification of a new local board permissible instead of required). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **33-63**.

Lee amend #3380 (To require that evaluation reports are due every fourth year, to establish a reservation of funds in a fiscal year in which a report is due, and to establish a reduction in funds if a report is not submitted). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **40-58**.

Murray amend #3381 (Manager's amendment). Agreed to by voice vote.

Murray amend #3778 (Substitute amendment).

**H.R. 803 (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act).** The bill was read for a third time. The yeas and nays were ordered. The bill was agreed to by a vote of **95-3**.

The Senate proceeded with an Executive Session.

**Cal. #499 (Jessica Garfola Wright, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness).** Confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #501 (Jamie Michael Morin, to be Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, Department of Defense).** Confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #787 (Thomas P. Kelly III to be Ambassador of the United States to the Republic of Djibouti).** Confirmed by voice vote.

**Motion to proceed S. 2363 (Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act of 2014).** Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to the bill.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #600, Col. Donald R. Lindberg - to be Brigadier General in the Air Force.** Confirmed by unanimous consent.

**Cal. #872 to be Brigadier Generals in the Marine Corps: Colonel Julian D. Alford, Colonel Norman L. Cooling, Colonel Karsten S. Heckl, Colonel William M. Journey, Colonel Tracy W. King, Colonel Michael E. Langley, Colonel Christopher J. Mahoney, Colonel Austin E. Renforth, Colonel Paul J. Rock, Jr. and Colonel Joseph F. Shrader.** Confirmed by unanimous consent.

**Cal. #873 Capt. Shane G. Gahagan – to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy.** Confirmed by unanimous consent.

**Cal. #874 Rear Adm. (lh) Raquel C. Bono – to be Rear Admiral in the Navy.** Confirmed by unanimous consent.

**Cal. #875 Maj. Gen. John F. Thompson – to be Lieutenant General in the Air Force.** Confirmed by unanimous consent.

**Cal. #876 Rear Adm. (lh) Mathias W. Winter – to be Rear Admiral in the Navy.** Confirmed by unanimous consent.

**Cal. #877 Capt. Thomas W. Luscher – to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy.** Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #878 Rear Adm. (lh) Eric C. Young – to be Rear Admiral in the Navy. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #879 Capt. Keith M. Jones – to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #880 Rear Adm. (lh) Janet R. Donovan – to be Rear Admiral in the Navy. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal #881 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Martha E. G. Herb and Rear Adm. (lh) John F. Weigold. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #882 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Althea H. Coetzee, Rear Adm. (lh) and Valerie K. Huegel, Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #883 to be Rear Admiral (Lower Half) in the Navy: Captain Kevin C. Hayes, Captain Daniel B. Hendrickson, Captain Thomas G. Reck, Captain Linda R.D. Wackerman and Captain Matthew A. Zirkle. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal #884 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Sean S. Buck, Rear Adm. (lh) Mark W. Darrah, Rear Adm. (lh) Michael M. Gilday, Rear Adm. (lh) Jeffrey A. Harley, Rear Adm. (lh) Kevin J. Kovacich, Rear Adm. (lh) Dietrich H. Kuhlmann, III, Rear Adm. (lh) Victorino G. Mercado, Rear Adm. (lh) John C. Scorby, Jr., Rear Adm. (lh) John W. Smith, Jr., Rear Adm. (lh) Richard P. Snyder, Rear Adm. (lh) Scott A. Stearney and Rear Adm. (lh) Joseph E. Tofalo. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #885 to be Brigadier General in the Army: Colonel Francis M. Beaudette, Colonel Paul Bontrager, Colonel Gary M. Brito, Colonel Scott E. Brower, Colonel Patrick W. Burden, Colonel Joseph R. Calloway, Colonel Paul T. Calvert, Colonel Welton Chase, Jr., Colonel Brian P. Cummings, Colonel Edwin J. Deedrick, Jr., Colonel Jeffrey W. Drushal, Colonel Rodney D. Fogg, Colonel Robin L. Fontes, Colonel Karen H. Gibson, Colonel David C. Hill, Colonel Michael D. Hoskin, Colonel Kenneth D. Hubbard, Colonel James B. Jarrard, Colonel Sean M. Jenkins, Colonel Mitchell L. Kilgo, Colonel Richard C. S. Kim, Colonel William E. King, IV, Colonel Ronald Kirklin, Colonel John S. Kolasheski, Colonel David P. Komar, Colonel Viet X. Luong, Colonel Patrick E. Matlock, Colonel James J. Mingus, Colonel Joseph W. Rank, Colonel Eric L. Sanchez, Colonel Christopher J. Sharpsten, Colonel Christopher L. Spillman, Colonel Michael J. Tarsa, Colonel Frank W. Tate, Colonel Richard M. Toy, Colonel William A. Turner and Colonel Brian E. Winski. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #886 Maj. Gen. David H. Berger – to be Lieutenant General in the Marine Corps. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #887 to be Major General in the Army: Brigadier General Daniel R. Ammerman, Brigadier General Scottie D. Carpenter, Brigadier General Phillip M. Churn, Sr., Brigadier General Allan W. Elliott, Brigadier General A. C. Roper, Jr., Brigadier General Tracy A. Thompson AND to be

Brigadier General in the Army: Colonel Sandra L. Alvey, Colonel James A. Blankenhorn, Colonel David E. Elwell, Colonel Steven T. Eveker, Colonel Carlton Fisher, Jr., Colonel Darrell J. Guthrie, Colonel Mary-Kate Leahy, Colonel Frederick R. Maiocco, Jr., Colonel Jonathan J. McColumn, Colonel Gregory J. Mosser, Colonel Barbara L. Owens, Colonel Joe D. Robinson, Colonel Alberto C. Rosende, Colonel Richard C. Staats, Colonel Christopher W. Stockel, Colonel Kelly E. Wakefield, Colonel Jason L. Walrath and Colonel Donna R. Williams. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #888 Col. Warren H. Hurst, Jr. – to be Brigadier General in the Air Force. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #889 Rear Adm. Walter E. Carter, Jr. – to be Vice Admiral in the Navy. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #890 Maj. Gen. William J. Bender – to be Lieutenant General in the Air Force. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Cal. #891 to be Major General in the Army: Brigadier General Bradley A. Becker, Brigadier General Michael A. Bills, Brigadier General Peggy C. Combs, Brigadier General Bruce T. Crawford, Brigadier General Susan A. Davidson, Brigadier General James H. Dickinson, Brigadier General Duane A. Gamble, Brigadier General Ryan F. Gonsalves, Brigadier General Wayne W. Grigsby, Jr., Brigadier General Steven R. Grove, Brigadier General Theodore C. Harrison, Brigadier General Daniel P. Hughes, Brigadier General Paul C. Hurley, Jr., Brigadier General Clark W. LeMasters, Jr., Brigadier General Ronald F. Lewis, Brigadier General James B. Linder, Brigadier General Michael D. Lundy, Brigadier General Todd B. McCaffrey, Brigadier General Brian J. McKiernan, Brigadier General John B. Morrison, Jr., Brigadier General Paul A. Ostrowski, Brigadier General Walter E. Piatt, Brigadier General Mark R. Quantock, Brigadier General Laura J. Richardson, Brigadier General Michael C. Wehr, Brigadier General Eric P. Wendt, Brigadier General Robert P. White and Brigadier General Cedric T. Wins. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

All nominations placed on the Secretary's desk in the Air Force, Army, and Navy. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 484 (Recognizing and honoring the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the Yosemite Grant Act.). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 485 (Congratulating the San Antonio Spurs for winning the 2014 National Basketball Association Championship). Agree to by unanimous consent.

H. R. 3301 (North American Energy Infrastructure Act). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, June 26, 2014 and will proceed with Morning Business until 12:00 PM. The Senate then proceed to a vote on Cal. #738, Cheryl Krause to be US Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. Additionally, at 1:45 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the following nominations:

Cal. #897, Stuart E. Jones, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Iraq.

Cal. #896, Robert Stephen Beecroft to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Arab Republic of Egypt.

Cal. #654 Karen Dynan to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Cal. #557, Esther Puakela Kia'aina to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Cal. #620 Vincent G. Logan to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior.

Cal. #503 Jo Emily Handelsman to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

The Senate adjourned at 4:35 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

**TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2014**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the following:

- Confirmation of Cal. #779, Paul Byron to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.
- Confirmation of Cal. #780, Carlos Mendoza to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.
- Confirmation of Cal. #781, Beth Bloom to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.
- Confirmation of Cal. #836, Geoffrey Crawford to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Vermont.
- Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #742, Leon Rodriguez to be Director of the US Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

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

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2363 (Bipartisan Sportsman Act of 2014).**

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #779, Paul Byron to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **94-0**.

**Cal. #780, Carlos Mendoza to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **94-0**.

**Cal. #781, Beth Bloom to be U.S. District Judge for Southern District of Florida.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **95-0**.

**Cal. #836, Geoffrey Crawford to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Vermont.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **95-0**.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #742, Leon Rodriguez to be Director of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **52-44**. Sen. Reid announced that the vote on confirmation will occur at 4:30 PM.

The Senate recessed for Party Caucuses.

The Senate reconvened at 2:15 PM.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #742, Leon Rodriguez to be Director of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 52-43.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session. Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

Cal. #738, Cheryl Krause to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. Reid Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The Senate will convene on Wednesday, June 24, 2014 at 9:30 AM, and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:00 Noon. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session to consider H.R. 803 (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act). At 2:30 PM, there will be up to 4 roll call votes on amendments to and final passage of H.R. 803 (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act).

The Senate adjourned at 5:03 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2014

The senate will convene at 2:00 PM and the Senate will proceed with a period of Morning Business. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #779, Paul Byron to be US District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #780, Carlo Mendoza to be US District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #781, Beth Bloom to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida and the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #836, Geoffrey Crawford to be US District Judge for the District of Vermont. If cloture is invoked on any of the nominations, the Senate will proceed to votes on their confirmation on Tuesday, June 24, 2014. A vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #742, Leon Rodriguez to be Director of the US Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security will also occur on Tuesday, June 24, 2014.

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

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #779, Paul Byron to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 53-30.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #780, Carlos Mendoza to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 53-31.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #781, Beth Bloom to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 53-31.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #836, Geoffrey Crawford to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Vermont.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 52-32.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 481 (Designating June 2014 as PTSD Month). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the following:

- Confirmation of Cal. #779, Paul Byron to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.
- Confirmation of Cal. #780, Carlos Mendoza to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.
- Confirmation of Cal. #781, Beth Bloom to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.
- Confirmation of Cal. #836, Geoffrey Crawford to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Vermont.
- Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #742, Leon Rodriguez to be Director of the US Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate adjourned at 7:07 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business for one hour. The Senate will then resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015), and all but two hours of post-cloture time be considered expired.

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

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015).**

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session:

**Cal. #770 (Gustavo Aguilar to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development).** The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 54-38.

**Cal. #538 (Brian Nichols to be Ambassador to the Republic of Peru).** The nomination was agreed to by voice vote.

**Cal. #766 (J. Mark McWatters to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board).** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #712 (Christine Wormuth to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy).** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

**Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015).** The Motion to Proceed to the bill was agreed to by voice vote.

**H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015).** Laid aside.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2363 (Protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting).**

**Cal. #779, Paul Byron to be US District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.** Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #780, Carlo Mendoza to be US District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.** Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #781, Beth Bloom to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.** Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #836, Geoffrey Crawford to be US District Judge for the District of Vermont.** Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #742, Leon Rodriguez to be Director of the US Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.** Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

S. 1603 (Gun Lake Trust Land Reaffirmation Act). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 2491 (Protect the Medicare program under title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to reconciliation involving changes to the Medicare program). The 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.

The senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 23, 2014 and the Senate will proceed with a period of Morning Business. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #779, Paul Byron to be US District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #780, Carlo Mendoza to be US District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #781, Beth Bloom to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida and the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #836, Geoffrey Crawford to be US District Judge for the District of Vermont. If cloture is invoked on any of the nominations, the Senate will proceed to votes on their confirmation on Tuesday, June 24, 2014. A vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #742, Leon Rodriguez to be Director of the US Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security will also occur on Tuesday, June 24, 2014.

The Senate adjourned at 6:48 PM.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2014**

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM. Following Leader Remarks the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015), post-cloture. The Senate hopes to begin consideration of the bill today.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Leader Remarks.

**Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015).**

**Message from the House with respect to H.R. 3230 (Pay Our Guard and Reserve Act).** By Unanimous Consent, the Senate insists on its amendment and agrees with the request to conference with the House. The following Senators were appointed as conferees: Sens. Sanders, Rockefeller, Murray, Brown, Tester, Begich, Blumenthal, Hirono, Burr, Isakson, Johanns, McCain, Coburn, and Rubio.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. 1237 (Omnibus Territories Act of 2013). Substitute amendment agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 2491 (Protects the Medicare Program under Title 18 of the Social Security Act with respect to reconciliation involving changes to the Medicare program). The bill was read for the first time. Further readings were objected to and the bill will be read for a second time on the next legislative day.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, June 19, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business for one hour. The Senate will then resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015), and all but two hours of post-cloture time be considered expired.

The Senate adjourned at 7:09 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2014

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business until 11:00 AM. The Senate will then proceed to confirmation votes on Cal. #740, Salvador Mendoza Jr. to be US District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, Cal. #741, Staci Yandle to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, Cal. #778, Darrin Gayles to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida and Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #572, Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General.

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

Motion to Proceed to **H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015)**. Laid aside.

H. R. 4453 (S Corporation Permanent Tax Relief Act of 2014). 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.

H. R. 4457 (America's Small Business Tax Relief Act of 2014). 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.

**Cal. #740, Salvador Mendoza Jr. to be US District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **92-4**.

**Cal. #741, Staci Yandle to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **52-44**.

**Cal. #778, Darrin Gayles to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **98-0**.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on **Cal. #572, Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **54-43**.

**Cal. #572, Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General.** The Senate is proceeding with post-cloture debate on the nomination.

The Senate recessed at 12:47 PM until 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate reconvened and proceeded with an Executive Session.

**Cal. #572, Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General.** The Senate is proceeding with post-cloture debate on the nomination.

Portman asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to S. Res. 469 (A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the May 31, 2014, transfer of five detainees from the detention facility at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba) and the resolution be passed. Levin objected.

At 4:45 PM, the Senate will hold two votes:

- Confirmation of Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General.
- Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015).

Under a previous unanimous consent agreement, all post-cloture time on the Kadzik nomination is deemed expired.

**Cal. #572, Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **55-43**.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015).** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed was agreed to by a vote of **95-3**.

Motion to Concur with the House Message to accompany S. 1254 (An act to amend the Harmful Alcohol Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1988). The Motion to Concur was agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 477 (Designating June 20, 2014, as American Eagle Day). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, June 18, 2014. Following Leader Remarks the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015), post-cloture. The Senate hopes to begin consideration of the bill tomorrow.

The Senate adjourned at 6:55 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2014

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and proceed to a period of Morning Business. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the following:

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #740, Salvador Mendoza Jr. to be US District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #741, Staci Yandle to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #778, Darrin Gayles to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

If cloture is invoked on the above nomination(s), the Senate will proceed to vote on their confirmation at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. Following those confirmation votes, the Senate will then proceed to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #572, Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General.

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

**Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015).** Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #740, Salvador Mendoza Jr. to be US District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 55-37.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #741, Staci Yandle to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 55-37.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #778, Darrin Gayles to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 55-37.

**Cal. #788, Alice Wells, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the US to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.** Agreed to by voice vote.

H. R. 4453 (S Corporation Permanent Tax Relief Act of 2014). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

H. R. 4457 (America's Small Business Tax Relief Act of 2014). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 17, 2014 and will proceed with a period of Morning Business until 11:00 AM. The Senate will then proceed to confirmation votes on Cal. #740, Salvador Mendoza Jr. to be US District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, Cal. #741, Staci Yandle to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois and Cal. #778, Darrin Gayles to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

The Senate adjourned at 6:36 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #523 (Crystal Nix-Hines, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organization). At 12 Noon, the Senate will vote on confirmation of the following nominations:

- Cal. #523 (Crystal Nix-Hines, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organization).
- Cal. #710 (Michael J. McCord, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)).
- Cal. #782 (R. Jane Chu, to be Chairperson of the NEA).
- Cal. #776 (Todd Batta to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture).

At 1:45 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on confirmation of the following nominations:

- Cal. #769 (Lael Brainard to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System).
- Cal. #771 (Jerome H. Powell to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System).
- Cal. #767 (Stanley Fischer to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System).

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

Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #523 (Crystal Nix-Hines, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organization).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination is confirmed by a vote of 52-41.

**Cal. #710 (Michael J. McCord, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)).** The nomination was confirmed by **Voice Vote**.

**Cal. #782 (R. Jane Chu, to be Chairperson of the NEA).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by **Voice Vote**.

**Cal. #776 (Todd Batta to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by **Voice Vote**.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #769 (Lael Brainard to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **61-31**.

**Cal. #771 (Jerome H. Powell to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **67-24**.

**Cal. #767 (Stanley Fischer to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **63-24**.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #740 (Salvador Mendoza Jr. to be US District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Reid Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #740 (Salvador Mendoza Jr. to be US District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington).

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #741 (Staci Yandle to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Reid Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #741 (Staci Yandle to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois).

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #778 (Darrin Gayles to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Reid Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #778 (Darrin Gayles to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida).

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #572 (Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Reid Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #572 (Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General).

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Motion to Proceed to H.R. 4660 (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015). Reid Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The following resolutions were considered en bloc:

S. Res. 473

S. Res. 474

S. Res. 475

S. Res. 476

Agreed to, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 16, 2014 and proceed to a period of Morning Business. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the following:

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #740 (Salvador Mendoza Jr. to be US District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington).

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #741 (Staci Yandle to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois).

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #778 (Darrin Gayles to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Florida).

If cloture is invoked on the above nomination(s), the Senate will proceed to vote on their confirmation at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. Following those confirmation votes, the Senate will then proceed to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #572 (Peter Kadzik to be an Assistant Attorney General).

The Senate adjourned at 5:47 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:15 AM and will proceed to a Legislative Session to consider the Motion to Proceed to S. 2432 (Refinancing of certain federal student loans). At 10:00 AM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2432 (Refinancing of certain federal student loans).

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2432 (Refinancing of certain federal student loans). Motion to Invoke Cloture.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was not agreed to by a **56-38**.

S. Con. Res. 37 (Authorizing the use of the Rotunda of the United States Capitol in commemoration of the Shimon Perez Congressional Gold Medal Ceremony). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

**H.R. 3230 (Legislative Vehicle for the Veterans' Access to Care Through Choice, Accountability, and Transparency Act of 2014).** By Unanimous Consent agreement, all after the enacting clause is stricken and the text of S. 2450 (Veterans' Access to Care Through Choice, Accountability, and Transparency Act of 2014) is inserted.

**H.R. 3230 (Veterans' Access to Care Through Choice, Accountability, and Transparency Act of 2014) as amended.** Sessions raised a Budget Point of Order against the bill. Motion to Waive the Budget Act with respect to H.R. 3230 (Veterans' Access to Care Through Choice, Accountability, and Transparency Act of 2014) as amended. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Waive the Budget Act was agreed to by a vote of **75-19**.

**H.R. 3230 (Veterans' Access to Care Through Choice, Accountability, and Transparency Act of 2014) as amended.** Final passage. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill passed by a vote of **93-3**.

**S. 1681 (Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014).** The Substitute amendment was agreed to by unanimous consent. The bill was read three times and passed by **Voice Vote**.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, June 12, 2014 and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #523 (Crystal Nix-Hines, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organization). At 12 Noon, the Senate will vote on confirmation of the following nominations:

- 1) Cal. #523 (Crystal Nix-Hines, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organization).
- 2) Cal. #710 (Michael J. McCord, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)).

- 3) Cal. #782 (R. Jane Chu, to be Chairperson of the NEA).
- 4) Cal. #776 (Todd Batta to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture).

At 1:45 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on confirmation of the following nominations:

- 1) Cal. #769 (Lael Brainard to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System).
- 2) Cal. #771 (Jerome H. Powell to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System).
- 3) Cal. #767 (Stanley Fischer to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System).

The Senate adjourned at 7:01 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2014

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed with an Executive Session. At 10:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on confirmation of Cal. #734, M. Hannah Lauck to be a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia. At 12:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to confirmation votes on Cal. #736, Leo T. Sorokin to be a U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts and Cal. #739, Richard Franklin Boulware II to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nevada. Upon conclusion of the second vote, the Senate will recess for Party Caucuses until 2:15 PM. After 15 minutes of debate, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #769, Lael Brainard to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #771, Jerome H. Powell to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #767, Stanley Fischer to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. If cloture is invoked on any of the previous three nominations, the Senate will proceed to vote on confirmation of the nomination(s) on Thursday, June 12, 2014, at 1:45 PM.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2432 (Refinancing of certain federal student loans).**

S. 2450 (Improves the access of veterans to medical services from the Department of Veterans Affairs). The bill was read for a second time. Further proceedings were objected to, and the bill was placed on the calendar.

The Senate convened and proceeded with an Executive Session.

**Cal. #734, M. Hannah Lauck to be a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia. Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination is confirmed by a vote of 90-0.**

**Cal. #736, Leo T. Sorokin to be a U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts. Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 91-0.**

**Cal. #739, Richard Franklin Boulware II to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nevada. Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote 58-35.**

The Senate recessed at 12:48 PM until 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

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

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #769, Lael Brainard to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Yeas and nays ordered. The cloture motion was agreed to by a vote of 59-31.**

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #771, Jerome H. Powell to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Yeas and nays ordered. The cloture motion was agreed to by a vote of 58-36.**

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #767, Stanley Fischer to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Yeas and nays ordered. The cloture motion was agreed to by a vote of 56-38.**

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

H. Con. Res. 100 (Authorizing the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:15 AM on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 and will proceed to a Legislative Session to consider the Motion to Proceed to S. 2432 (Refinancing of certain federal student loans). At 10:00 AM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2432 (Refinancing of certain federal student loans).

The Senate adjourned at 7:09 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2014

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will be in a period of Morning Business until 5:30 PM. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session and will vote on the following: Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #734, M. Hannah Lauck to be a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #736, Leo T. Sorokin to be a U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #739, Richard Franklin Boulware II to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nevada.

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

Motion to Proceed to S 2432 (amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for the refinancing of certain Federal student loans). Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to the bill.

The Senate proceeded with an Executive Session.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on **Cal. #734, M. Hannah Lauck to be a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **52-32.**

Motion to Invoke Cloture on **Cal. #736, Leo T. Sorokin to be a U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **52-33.**

Motion to Invoke Cloture on **Cal. #739, Richard Franklin Boulware II to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nevada.** The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **53-34.**

S. 2450 (Improve the access of veterans to medical services). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed with an Executive Session. At 10:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on confirmation of Cal. #734, M. Hannah Lauck to be a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia. At 12:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to confirmation votes on Cal. #736, Leo T. Sorokin to be a U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts and Cal. #739, Richard Franklin Boulware II to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nevada. Upon conclusion of the second vote, the Senate will recess for Party Caucuses until 2:15 PM. After 15 minutes of debate, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #769, Lael Brainard to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #771, Jerome H. Powell to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and Motion to Invoke Cloture

on Cal. #767, Stanley Fischer to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. If cloture is invoked on any of the previous three nominations, the Senate will proceed to vote on confirmation of the nomination(s) on Thursday, June 12, 2014, at 1:45 PM.

The Senate adjourned at 8:29 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2014

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business until 1:45 PM. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session and vote on the following nominations:

Cal. #798, Sylvia Burwell to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Cal. #519, Carolyn Radelet to be Director of the Peace Corps.

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

Motion to Proceed to S. 2363 (To protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting). Laid aside.

S. 2432 (Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for the refinancing of certain federal student loans). The bill was read for the second time. Further consideration was objected to and the bill was placed on the Calendar.

The Senate proceeded with an Executive Session.

**Cal. #798, Sylvia Burwell to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 78-17.

**Cal. #519, Carolyn Radelet to be Director of the Peace Corps.** The nomination was confirmed by **Voice Vote**.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. 1044 (World War II Memorial Prayer Act of 2013). Agreed to by unanimous consent. Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. The Motion was agreed to by voice vote.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #734 (M. Hannah Lauck to be a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia). The Motion was agreed to by voice vote. Reid filed cloture on the nomination.

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. The Motion was agreed to by voice vote.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #736 (Leo T. Sorokin to be a U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts). The Motion was agreed to by voice vote. Reid filed cloture on the nomination.

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. The Motion was agreed to by voice vote.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #739 (Richard Franklin Boulware II to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nevada). The Motion was agreed to by voice vote. Reid filed cloture on the nomination.

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. The Motion was agreed to by voice vote.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #769 (Lael Brainard to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System). The Motion was agreed to by voice vote. Reid filed cloture on the nomination.

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. The Motion was agreed to by voice vote.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #771 (Jerome Powell to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System). The Motion was agreed to by voice vote. Reid filed cloture on the nomination.

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. The Motion was agreed to by voice vote.

Reid Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #767 (Stanley Fischer to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System). The Motion was agreed to by voice vote. Reid filed cloture on the nomination.

Reid Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. The Motion was agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 468 (To authorize the production of records by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigation of the Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 9, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business until 5:30 PM. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session and will vote on the following:

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #734 (M. Hannah Lauck to be a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia).

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #736 (Leo T. Sorokin to be a U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts).

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #739 (Richard Franklin Boulware II to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nevada).

The Senate adjourned at 5:31 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with Morning Business. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the following:

- Confirmation of Cal. #691, Mark G. Mastroianni, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.
- Confirmation of Cal. #692, Bruce Howe Hendricks, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina.
- Confirmation of Cal. #733, Tanya S. Chutkan, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia.
- Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #798, Sylvia Burwell to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

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

Motion to Proceed to S. 2363 (To protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting). Laid aside.

McConnell asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to S. 2414 (A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to prohibit the regulation of emissions of carbon dioxide from new or existing power plants under certain circumstances), and that the bill be read three times and passed. Reid objected.

S. 2422 (Improve the access for Veterans to medical services from the Department of Veteran's Affairs). The second reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #691, Mark G. Mastroianni, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **92-2**.

**Cal. #692, Bruce Howe Hendricks, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **95-0**.

**Cal. #733, Tanya S. Chutkan, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was agreed to by a vote of **95-0**.

**Cal. #798, Sylvia Burwell to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.** Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **67-28**.

**Cal. #796, Stefan Selig to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade.** The nomination was confirmed by **Voice Vote**.

**Cal. #798, Sylvia Burwell to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.** The Senate is in post-cloture debate on the nomination.

Sen. Menendez asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate proceed to Cal. #8, Treaty Doc #112-8, Tax Convention with Chile, and that the Resolution of Ratification be agreed to. Objected to by Sen. Paul.

Sen. Cardin asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate proceed to Cal. #9, Treaty Doc # 112-1, Protocol Amending Tax Convention with Swiss Confederation. Objected to by Sen. Paul.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 218 (Honoring the legacy of A. Phillip Randolph). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 463 (Honoring the life of Billy Frank Jr.). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 467 (100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fisherman's Terminal in Seattle, WA). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 2432 (Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for the refinancing of certain federal student loans). The bill was read for a first time. Further readings were objected to and the bill will be read for a second time on the next legislative day.

S. Res. 451 (A resolution recalling the Government of China's forcible dispersion of those peaceably assembled in Tiananmen Square 25 years ago, in light of China's continued abysmal human rights record). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene on Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business until 1:45 PM. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session and vote on the following nominations:

Cal. #798, Sylvia Burwell to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Cal. #519, Carolyn Radelet to be Director of the Peace Corps.

The Senate adjourned at 5:34 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014

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 proceed to an Executive Session to resume debate on Cal. #633, Keith Harper for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the UN Human Rights Council. At 12 Noon, all post-cloture time will be yielded back and the Senate will proceed to vote on confirmation of the Harper nomination. The Senate will then proceed to a cloture vote on Cal. #755, Sharon Bowen to be Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. Immediately following the votes, the Senate will recess for the weekly party caucus lunches. Additional votes on nominations are expected.

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

Motion to Proceed to S. 2363 (To protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #633, Keith Harper for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the UN Human Rights Council.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **52-42**.

**Cal. #755, Sharon Bowen to be Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.** Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **50-44**.

By unanimous consent, at 4:00 PM today, all post-cloture time will be yielded back, and the Senate will proceed to vote on the following:

- Confirmation of Cal. #755, Sharon Bowen to be Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #691, Mark G. Mastroianni, of Massachusetts, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.
- Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #692, Bruce Howe Hendricks, of South Carolina, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina.
- Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #733, Tanya S. Chutkan, of the District of Columbia, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia.

If cloture is invoked on any of the above nominees, on Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at 11:00 AM, the Senate will vote on confirmation of the nominees in the order listed. Following disposition of the nominations, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #798, Sylvia Mathews Burwell, of West Virginia, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

The Senate recessed at 12:52 PM until 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate reconvened at 2:15 PM.

**Cal. #755, Sharon Bowen to be Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 48-46.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on **Cal. #691, Mark G. Mastroianni, of Massachusetts , to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 56-39.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on **Cal. #692, Bruce Howe Hendricks, of South Carolina, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 59-35.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on **Cal. #733, Tanya S. Chutkan, of the District of Columbia, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 54-40.

**Cal. 752, Timothy Massad to be Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.** Confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. 753, Timothy Massad to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.** Confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. 754, J. Christopher Giancarlo to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.** Confirmed by voice vote.

PN 1642, Confirmed by unanimous consent.

S. 2270 (Clarify the application of certain leverage and space requirements). Agreed to by unanimous consent, as amended.

S. Res. 453 (Condemning the death sentence against Meriam Yahia Ibrahim Ishag, a Sudanese Christian woman accused of apostasy). Agreed to by unanimous consent, as amended.

S. Res. 464 (Designating June 2014 as “National Aphasia Awareness Month”). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 465 (Commemorating the centennial of Webster University). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 2422 (Improve the access for Veterans to medical services from the Department of Veteran’s Affairs). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, June 4, 2014 and will proceed with Morning Business. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the following:  
Confirmation of Cal. #691, Mark G. Mastroianni, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.

Confirmation of Cal. #692, Bruce Howe Hendricks, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

Confirmation of Cal. #733, Tanya S. Chutkan, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #798, Sylvia Burwell to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

The Senate adjourned at 6:30 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will proceed with Morning Business until 5:30 PM. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #633, Keith M. Harper for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the UN Human Rights Council. There will be 2 minutes of debate prior a roll call vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

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

Motion to Proceed to S. 2363 (To protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #633 (Keith Harper for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the UN Human Rights Council).** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **51-37**.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 3, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business for one hour. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to resume debate on Cal. #633 (Keith Harper for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the UN Human Rights Council). At 12 Noon, all post-cloture time will be yielded back and the Senate will proceed to vote on confirmation of the Harper nomination. The Senate will then proceed to a cloture vote on Cal. #755 (Sharon Bowen to be Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission). Immediately following the votes, the Senate will recess for the weekly party caucus lunches. Additional votes on nominations are expected.

The Senate adjourned at 7:24 PM.