

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2015**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM for a Pro Forma Session only, with no business conducted. The Senate will then convene on Monday, August 3, 2015 at 2:00 PM. Following Leader Remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 1881 (A bill to prohibit Federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America). At 5:30 PM the Senate will have a Cloture vote on the Motion to Proceed to S. 1881 (A bill to prohibit Federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America).

The Senate convened for a Pro Forma Session only and adjourned at 10:01 AM.

The Senate will convene on Monday, August 3, 2015 at 2:00 PM. Following Leader Remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 1881 (A bill to prohibit Federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America). At 5:30 PM the Senate will have a Cloture vote on the Motion to Proceed to S. 1881 (A bill to prohibit Federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America).

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2015

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will resume post-cloture debate on H.R. 22 (Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). At 12:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on final passage of the bill. At 1:45 PM, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of H. R. 3236 (Surface Transportation and Veterans Health Care Choice Improvement Act of 2015) and will proceed to a vote on final passage, with a 60 yeas vote threshold.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 236 (National Whistleblower Appreciation Day). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

**H.R. 22 (Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015), as amended.** The bill was read for a third time. **Final passage.** Yeas and nays ordered. The bill as amended passed by a vote of **65-34**.

Motion to Proceed to S. 1881 (Planned Parenthood). McConnell Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed.

**H.R. 3236 (Surface Transportation and Veterans Health Care Choice Improvement Act of 2015).** Under a previous Unanimous Consent request, the bill is subject to a 60-yeas vote threshold. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill was agreed to by a vote of **91-4**.

There will be no further roll call votes this week. The next roll call vote is expected to occur at 5:30 PM on Monday, August 3, 2015, on Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 1881 (a bill to prohibit Federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America).

Portman asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to H.R. 212 (Safe Drinking Water Act), and that the bill be read three times and the Senate proceed to vote on passage of the bill. Udall objected.

Udall asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to H.R. 212 (Safe Drinking Water Act) and S. 1523 (A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program, and for other purposes) en bloc, and that the bills be read three times and the Senate proceed to vote on passage of the bills. Portman objected.

S. 1172 (A bill to Improve the Process of Presidential Transition) as amended. Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Friday, July 31, 2015 for a pro forma session only, with no business conducted. The Senate will then convene on Monday, August 3, 2015 at 2:00 PM. Following Leader Remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 1881 (A bill to prohibit Federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America). At

5:30 PM the Senate will have a Cloture vote on the Motion to Proceed to S. 1881 (A bill to prohibit Federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America).

The Senate adjourned at 5:51 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2015

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will resume consideration of H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). At 10:00 AM, all post-cloture time on the McConnell amendment will be considered expired, and the Senate will vote on the McConnell amend #2266 (In the Nature of a Substitute). Following disposition of the amendment, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session and vote on the following nominations:

Cal. #6, Allison Beck to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director.

Cal. #137, Jeffrey Prieto to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture.

Cal. #193, Carol Ochoa to be Inspector General, General Services Administration.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Legislative Session.

The following bills were considered en bloc:

S. 1881 (Prohibit Federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America). 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.

H. J. Res. 61 (Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt employees with health coverage under Tricare). 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.

**H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).**

McConnell amend #2266 (In the Nature of a Substitute).

McConnell amend #2417 (Of a perfecting nature). Motion to table the amendment was agreed to by voice vote.

Inhofe amend #2533 (Of a perfecting nature). Agreed to by voice vote.

McConnell amend #2421 (Of a perfecting nature). Motion to vitiate the yeas and nays was agreed to by voice vote. The amendment was agreed to by voice vote.

McConnell amend #2266 (In the Nature of a Substitute). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **62-38**.

**H.R. 22 (Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015)**, as amended. Yeas and nays ordered on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the bill. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **65-35**.

**Cal. #6, Allison Beck to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director.** Confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #137, Jeffrey Prieto to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture.**  
Confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #193, Carol Ochoa to be Inspector General, General Services Administration.**  
Confirmed by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded with an Executive Session.

**Cal. #224 Gen. Joseph F. Dunford, Jr to be appointed as the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.** Confirmed by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

**S. Res. 234 (Authorize the printing of a collection of the rules of the Committees of the Senate).**  
Agreed to by unanimous consent.

**S. Res. 235 (Designating September 2015 as “National Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month”).**  
Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Thursday, July 30, 2015 and will resume post-cloture debate on H.R. 22 (Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). At 12:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on final passage of the bill. At 1:45 PM, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of H. R. 3236 (Surface Transportation and Veterans Health Care Choice Improvement Act of 2015) and will proceed to a vote on final passage, with a 60 yea vote threshold.

The Senate adjourned at 6:28 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2015

The Senate will convene at 11:00 AM and will resume consideration of H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). All time during adjournment will be counted as post-cloture time on the McConnell amend #2266 (In the Nature of a Substitute) as modified. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).**

McConnell amend #2266 (In the Nature of a Substitute), as modified.

The Senate recessed at 12:35 PM for the weekly party lunches.

The Senate reconvened at 2:15 PM and resumed a Legislative Session.

**H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).**

McConnell amend #2266 (In the Nature of a Substitute), as modified.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #232 (Major General Robert Ashley, Jr to be Lt. General of the U.S. Army). Confirmed by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

S. 614 (Federal Improper Payments Coordination Act of 2015). Carper substitute amendment agreed to. The bill, as amended, was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 242 (Amends Title V, United States Code). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 764 (National Sea Grant College Program Amendments Act of 2015). Committee substitute amendment agreed to. The bill, as amended, was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H. Con. Res. 64 (Authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the CVC to award the Congressional Gold Medal to the Monuments Men). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 225 (National Association of Women Business Owners 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Con. Res. 20 (25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the date of enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The following bills were considered en bloc:

S. 1881 (To prohibit federal funding of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America).

H.J. Res. 61 (Hire More Heroes Act of 2015).

The bills were read for the first time, en bloc. A second reading was objected to and the bills will be read for a second time on the next legislative day.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> and will resume consideration of H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). At 10:00 AM, all post-cloture time on the McConnell amendment will be considered expired, and the Senate will vote on the McConnell amend #2266 (In the Nature of a Substitute). Following disposition of the amendment, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session and vote on the following nominations:

Cal. #6 (Allison Beck to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director).

Cal. #137 (Jeffrey Prieto to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture).

Cal. #193 (Carol Ochoa to be Inspector General, General Services Administration).

The Senate adjourned at 7:04 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JULY 27, 2015

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will resume consideration of H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). All time during adjournment will be counted as post-cloture time on the Kirk amend #2327 (To reauthorize and reform the Export-Import Bank of the United States).

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

### **H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).**

S. Res. 231 (Honoring the memory and legacy of the two Louisiana citizens who lost their lives, recognizing the heroism of first responders and those on the scene and condemning the attack of July 23, 2015, in Lafayette, Louisiana). The resolution was agreed to by unanimous consent.

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

- Cal. #219 (Maj. Gen. John Shanahan to be Lt. General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #220 (Maj. Gen. Michael Garrett to be Lt. General in the Army).
- Cal. #221 (Capt. Darse Crandall to be Rear Admiral in the Navy).
- Cal. #222 (Rear Adm. Joseph Tofalo to be Vice Admiral in the Navy).
- Cal. #223 (Gen. Paul Selva to be General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #225 (Gen. Darren McDew to be General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #226 (Maj. Gen. David Buck to be Lt. General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #227 (Lt. Gen. Tod Wolters to be Lt. General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #228 (Lt. Gen. Russell Handy to be Lt. General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #229 (Col. Frank Stokes to be Brigadier General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #230 (Lt. Gen. John Raymond to be Lt. General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #231 (Col. James Porter to be Brigadier General in the Army).
- Cal. #233 (Major Gen. Daniel Hokanson to be Lt. General in the Army).
- Cal. #234 (Rear Adm. Kevin Scott to be Vice Admiral in the Navy).
- Cal. #235 (Rear Adm. Kevin Donegan to be Vice Admiral in the Navy).
- Cal. #236 (Major Gen. Michael Shields to be Lt. General in the Army).
- Cal. #237 (Brigadier General Victor Braden to be Major General in the Army).
- Cal. #238 (Rear Adm. Richard Breckenridge to be Vice Admiral in the Navy).
- Cal. #239 (Colonels in the Air Force to be Brigadier Generals).
- Cal. #240 (Col. Stephen Schaick to be Brigadier General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #241 (Col. Jeffrey Doll to be Brigadier General in the Army).
- Cal. #242 (Lt. Gen. Carlton Everhart to be General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #243 (Col. Dondi Costin to be Major General in the Air Force).
- Cal. #244 (Maj. Gen. Stephen Lyons to be Lt. General in the Army).
- Cal. #245 (Rear Adm. John Aquilino to be Vice Admiral in the Navy).
- Cal. #246 (Vice Adm. Robert Thomas to be Vice Admiral in the Navy).
- Cal. #247 (Maj. Gen. Stephen Lyons to be Lt. General in the Marine Corps).

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

H.R. 876 (NOTICE Act). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate recessed at 6:57 PM until 9:15 PM.

The Senate reconvened at 9:15 PM.

**H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).**

The Senate conducted a live quorum call, requiring the presence of all Senators. A quorum was not established.

McConnell made a Motion to Instruct the Sergeant At Arms to Request the Attendance of Absent Senators. Yeas and nays ordered. A quorum was established **79-14**.

Motion to Table McConnell amend #2329 (Two Month Extension of the Highway Bill) to McConnell amend #2266 (In Nature of a Substitute) as modified was agreed to by **voice vote**.

McConnell 2<sup>nd</sup> degree amend #2330 (to change the enactment date) to McConnell amend #2329 (Two Month Extension of the Highway Bill) **falls**.

McConnell 2<sup>nd</sup> degree amend #2328 (to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 entirely) to Kirk amend #2327 (to reauthorize and reform the Export-Import Bank of the United States). Reid Raised a Point of Order that the amendment is not germane. The Point of Order was sustained and the amendment **falls**.

Kirk amend #2327 (to reauthorize and reform the Export-Import Bank of the United States). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **64-29**.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on McConnell amend #2266 (In Nature of a Substitute) as modified. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **62-32**.

McConnell amend #2421 to McConnell amend #2266 (In Nature of a Substitute) as modified. Yeas and nays ordered.

McConnell 2<sup>nd</sup> degree amend #2533 to amend #2421.

McConnell amendment #2417 to the language proposed to be stricken by McConnell amend 2266. Yeas and nays ordered.

McConnell 2<sup>nd</sup> degree amend #2418 to McConnell amendment #2417.

The Senate will convene at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 and will resume consideration of H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). All time during adjournment will be counted as post-cloture time on the McConnell amend #2266 (In Nature of a Substitute) as modified.

The Senate adjourned at 11:13 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2015

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will resume consideration of H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). At 3:00 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on McConnell amend #2328 (To Repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 entirely).

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

At the request of the Senate Parliamentarian, the President Pro Tempore read Rule 19 of the Senate.

S. 1861 (To prohibit federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America). The bill was read for a second time. Further reading was objected to and the bill will be placed on the calendar.

### **H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).**

McConnell amend #2328 (To Repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 entirely). Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The cloture motion was not agreed to by a vote of 49-43.

Kirk amend #2327 (To reauthorize and reform the Export-Import Bank of the United States). Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The cloture motion was agreed to by a vote of 67-26.

Appeal of Sen. Cruz in relation to the offering of his amendment #2301, which has been ruled out of order. The Senate **sustains** the decision of the chair by **Voice Vote**.

Lee asked for immediate consideration of his amend #2282 (Withdrawing funding for Planned Parenthood). The chair ruled the amendment not in order. Appeal of Sen. Lee in relation to the offering of his amendment. The Senate **sustains** the decision of the chair by **Voice Vote**.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, July 27<sup>th</sup> and resume consideration of H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). All time during adjournment will be counted as post-cloture time on the Kirk amend #2327 (To reauthorize and reform the Export-Import Bank of the United States).

The Senate adjourned at 4:34 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2015

The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM and will proceed to a Legislative Session to vote on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Proceed was agreed to by a vote of 51-26.

**H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).**

McConnell amend #2266 (In Nature of a Substitute) as modified. Yeas and nays ordered.

Kirk amend #2327 (To reauthorize and reform the Export-Import Bank) to McConnell amend #2266. Yeas and nays ordered.

McConnell 2<sup>nd</sup> degree amend #2328 (To Repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 entirely) to Kirk amend #2327.

McConnell amend #2329 to the language proposed to be stricken by McConnell amend #2266. Yeas and nays ordered.

McConnell 2<sup>nd</sup> degree amend #2330 to McConnell amend #2329.

McConnell filed cloture on McConnell amend #2328 (To Repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 entirely)

McConnell filed cloture on Kirk amend #2327 (To reauthorize and reform the Export-Import Bank)

McConnell filed cloture on McConnell amend #2266 (In Nature of a Substitute) as modified.

McConnell filed on H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).

Cruz asked to call up his amendment #2031. The Chair ruled the amendment is not in order to be offered. Cruz appealed the ruling of the Chair.

S. 1861 (Prevent Federal Funding of Planned Parenthood). The bill was read for the first time. The second reading of the bill was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Sunday, July 26, 2015 and will resume consideration of H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). At 3:00 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on McConnell amend #2328 (To Repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 entirely).

The Senate adjourned at 12:29 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with a Legislative Session. The Senate will immediately resume the post-cloture debate on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).**

The Senate recessed at 12:30 until 2:15 PM.

The Senate reconvened at 2:15 PM.

**Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).** The Senate will vote on the Motion to Proceed at 9:00 AM on Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

H.R. 23 (National Windstorm Impact Reduction Act Reauthorization of 2015). Substitute amendment agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H.R. 2499 (Veterans Entrepreneurship Act of 2015). Vitter amendment agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H.R. 1626 (Reduces duplication of information technology at the Dept. of Homeland Security). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 229 (United States Intelligence Professionals Day). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM on Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup> and will proceed to a Legislative Session to vote on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).

The Senate adjourned at 8:07 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2015

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

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

At 4:29 PM, the Senate recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

At 6:15 PM, the Senate reconvened.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).** The Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed was agreed to by a vote of **62-36**.

S. 1599 (Provide anti-retaliation protections). Agreed to by unanimous consent, as amended.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, July 23, 2015 and will proceed with a Legislative Session. The Senate will immediately resume the post-cloture debate on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).

The Senate adjourned at 8:23 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2015

The Senate will then convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus meetings. At 2:15 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).

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

The Chair announced that S. J. Res. 19 (A joint resolution to express the disfavor of Congress regarding the proposed agreement for cooperation between the United States and the People's Republic of China transmitted to the Congress by the President on April 21, 2015, pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954), having concluded a 45 day review period, is discharged and placed on the Senate Calendar.

The vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015) was moved to 4:00 PM.

The Senate recessed at 12:28 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate convened at 2:15 PM.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 22 (Legislative Vehicle for the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed was not agreed to by a vote of 41-56. McConnell filed a Motion to Reconsider the vote.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 227 (Condemning the attacks of July 16<sup>th</sup> in Chattanooga, TN, honoring the members of the Armed Forces who lost their lives and expressing support and prayers for all those affected). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> and will be in a period of Morning Business.

The Senate adjourned at 7:21 PM.

## **SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS**

**FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2015**

The Senate will convene at 10:40 AM for a pro forma session only with no business conducted.

The Senate will then convene on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 10:00 AM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus meetings. At 2:15 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 3038 (Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).

The Senate convened for a pro forma session only.

The Senate adjourned at 10:40 AM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2015

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup> and will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). All time during the adjournment of the Senate will count toward post-cloture time on the substitute amendment.

At 10:45 AM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the following amendments.

Wicker amend #2144 (to provide States and local educational agencies with resources on climate theory to promote improved science education). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.*

Cruz amend #2180 (to provide for State-determined assessment and accountability systems, and for other purposes).

Sanders amend #2177 (to provide for youth jobs, and for other purposes). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.*

Coons amend #2243 (to authorize the establishment of American Dream Accounts). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.*

Burr amend #2247 (to amend the allocation of funds under subpart 2 of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965) as modified.

Brown amend #2100 (to amend title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a full-service community schools grant program).

Casey amend #2242 (to establish a Federal-State partnership to provide access to high-quality public prekindergarten programs from low-income and moderate-income families to ensure that they enter kindergarten prepared for success, and for other purposes). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.*

Hatch amend #2082 (to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 relating to early learning).

Warren amend #2106 (to amend title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to include specialized instructional support personnel in the literacy development of children).

Schatz amend #2130 (to amend title I to support assessments of school facilities).

Murphy amend #2186 (to establish the Promise Neighborhoods program).

Nelson amend #2215 (to include partnering with current and recently retired STEM professionals and tailoring educational resources to engage students and teachers in STEM) as modified.

Manchin amend #2222 (to amend the State requirements of section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 in order to support children facing substance abuse in the home).

Boozman amend #2231 (to support professional development to help students prepare for postsecondary education and the workforce).

Baldwin amend #2188 (to ensure States will ensure the unique needs of students at all levels of schooling).

Capito amend #2156 (to amend the State report card under section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act on 1965 to include the rates of enrollment in postsecondary education, and remediation rates, for high schools).

Thune amend #2232 (to allow extended services Project SERV grants under part A of title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to be available for violence prevention activities).

King amend #2256 (to amend the definitions of eligible technology and technology readiness survey and to provide a restriction of funds).

Schatz amend #2240 (to provide resources needed to study and review Native American language medium schools and programs).

Warren amend #2249 to amend section 1111(c) of the ESEA to require States to provide an assurance regarding cross-tabulation of student data).

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

### **S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

Alexander amend #2089 (In the nature of a substitute).

Cruz amend #2180 (to provide for State-determined assessment and accountability systems, and for other purposes). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **40-58**.

Sanders amend #2177 (to provide for youth jobs, and for other purposes). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.* Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **43-55**.

Coons amend #2243 (to authorize the establishment of American Dream Accounts). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.* Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **68-30**.

Burr amend #2247 (to amend the allocation of funds under subpart 2 of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965) as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **59-39**.

Brown amend #2100 (to amend title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a full-service community schools grant program). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **53-44**.

Casey amend #2242 (to establish a Federal-State partnership to provide access to high-quality public prekindergarten programs from low-income and moderate-income families to ensure that they enter kindergarten prepared for success, and for other purposes). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.* Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **45-52**.

Hatch amend #2082 (to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 relating to early learning). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Warren amend #2106 (to amend title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to include specialized instructional support personnel in the literacy development of children). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Schatz amend #2130 (to amend title I to support assessments of school facilities). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Murphy amend #2186 (to establish the Promise Neighborhoods program). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Nelson amend #2215 (to include partnering with current and recently retired STEM professionals and tailoring educational resources to engage students and teachers in STEM) as modified. Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Manchin amend #2222 (to amend the State requirements of section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 in order to support children facing substance abuse in the home). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Boozman amend #2231 (to support professional development to help students prepare for postsecondary education and the workforce). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Baldwin amend #2188 (to ensure States will ensure the unique needs of students at all levels of schooling). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Capito amend #2156 (to amend the State report card under section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act on 1965 to include the rates of enrollment in postsecondary education, and remediation rates, for high schools). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Thune amend #2232 (to allow extended services Project SERV grants under part A of title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to be available for violence prevention activities). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

King amend #2256 (to amend the definitions of eligible technology and technology readiness survey and to provide a restriction of funds). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Schatz amend #2240 (to provide resources needed to study and review Native American language medium schools and programs). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Warren amend #2249 to amend section 1111(c) of the ESEA to require States to provide an assurance regarding cross-tabulation of student data). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

Under a previous order, all post-cloture debate on Alexander amend #2089 (In Nature of Substitute) is yielded back, and the amendment was agreed to by **voice vote**.

At 1:45 PM, the Senate will proceed to a Cloture vote on S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015) as amended. If Cloture is invoked, the Senate will immediately proceed to a vote on final passage of the bill as amended.

**S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015) as amended.** Motion to Invoke Cloture on the bill. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **79-18**.

Under a previous order, all post-cloture debate on S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015) as amended is yielded back.

**S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015) as amended.** Final passage. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill as amended passed by a vote of **81-17**.

The Senate entered a period of Morning Business.

The Senate will convene at on Monday, July 27, 2015 and will proceed with a period of Morning Business.

S. 192 (Reauthorize the Older Americans Act). The bill passed by voice vote.

S. 139 (Ensuring Access to Clinical Trials). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H.R. 3038 (Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015). The bill was read for the first time. The second reading was objected to.

The Senate will convene on Friday, July 17, 2015 at 10:40 AM for a pro forma session only with no business conducted. The Senate will then convene on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 10:00 AM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus meetings. At 2:15 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 3038 (Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015).

The Senate adjourned at 6:04 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2015

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). At 10:30 AM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Alexander amend #2089 (In the nature of a substitute). If cloture is invoked, the Senate will proceed with 30 hours of post-cloture debate. If cloture is not invoked, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the bill.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Leader Remarks.

### **S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

The following amendments were agreed to en bloc:

McCain amend #2111 (express the sense of Congress that John Arthur “Jack” Johnson should receive a posthumous pardon for the racially-motivated conviction in 1913 that diminished the athletic, cultural, and historical significance of Jack Johnson and unduly tarnished his reputation).

Bennet amend #2141 (provide for shared services strategies and models).

Ayotte amend #2145 (allow States to use State activity funds provided under part A of the title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 for certain evidence-based mental health awareness programs).

Udall amend #2149 to (allow the Bureau of Indian Education to apply for certain competitive grants under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act on 1965).

Feinstein amend #2150 (to allow eligible entities to use funds provided under part A of title III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act on 1965 for bilingual paraprofessionals and linguistically responsive materials).

Carper-Ayotte amend #2151 (to amend part A of title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act on 1965 to improve preparation programs and strengthen support for principals and other school leaders) as modified.

King-Capito amend #2154 (to authorize the Institute of Education Sciences to conduct a study on student access to digital learning resources outside of the school day).

Thune amend #2155 (to require a report on responses to Indian student suicides).

Flake amend #2157 (to reserve funds for an evaluation of early learning alignment and improvement grants).

Lee amend #2234 (to establish a rule of construction regarding travel to and from school).

Booker amend #2170 (to amend the early learning alignment and improvement grant program under part I of title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to ensure that States support early childhood education programs that maintain disciplinary policies that do not include expulsion or suspension of participating children).

Coons-Reed-Blunt amend #2178 (to encourage increasing the amount of funds available for parent and family engagement).

McCain amend #2181 (to allow State to use funding under part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to replicate and expand successful practices from high-performing public schools).

Whitehouse amendment to support innovation schools. (#2185)

Blunt-Cardin-Mikulski-Collins amend #2195 (to amend section 1113(c) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to allow local educational agencies to address the needs of children in schools served by schoolwide programs by providing school-based mental health programs).

Gillibrand amend #2216 (to require a report on cybersecurity education).

Graham amend #2199 (to include entrepreneurship as a local educational agency allowable use of funds under title II).

Alexander amend #2201 (to provide that State assessments not evaluate or assess personal or family beliefs and attitudes, or publicly disclose personally identifiable information).

Bennet amend #2225 (to improve title I by including information about assessments in the categories of information that parents have a right to know about).

Booker amend #2224 (to assess and improve educator support and working conditions).

Cornyn amend #2227 (to reauthorize the Education Flexibility Partnership Act of 1999).

Warren amend #2120 (to amend section 1111(d) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding the cross-tabulation of student data) was withdrawn.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Alexander amend #2089 (In the nature of a substitute).**

**Cloture on the amendment.** Yeas and nays ordered. Cloture was invoked by a vote of 86-12.

The following amendments were made pending, en bloc:

Coons amend #2243 (to authorize the establishment of American Dream Accounts).

Cruz amend #2180 (to provide for State-determined assessment and accountability systems, and for other purposes).

Heitkamp amend #2171 (to reinstate grants to improve the mental health of children).

Hatch amend #2082 (to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 relating to early learning).

Warren amend #2106 (to amend title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to include specialized instructional support personnel in the literacy development of children).

Burr amend #2247 (to amend the allocation of funds under subpart 2 of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965) as modified.

Murphy amend #2186 (to establish the Promise Neighborhoods program).

Brown amend #2100 (to amend title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a full-service community schools grant program).

Wicker amend ##2144 (to provide States and local educational agencies with resources on climate theory to promote improved science education).

Markey amend #2176 (to establish a climate change education program).

Murphy amend #2241 (to amend the accountability provisions).

Sanders amend #2177 (to provide for youth jobs, and for other purposes).

Casey amend #2242 (to establish a Federal-State partnership to provide access to high-quality public prekindergarten programs from low-income and moderate-income families to ensure that they enter kindergarten prepared for success, and for other purposes).

Schatz amend #2130 (to amend title I to support assessments of school facilities).

Nelson amend #2215 (to include partnering with current and recently retired STEM professionals and tailoring educational resources to engage students and teachers in STEM) as modified.

Manchin amend #2222 (to amend the State requirements of section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 in order to support children facing substance abuse in the home).

Boozman amend #2231 (to support professional development to help students prepare for postsecondary education and the workforce).

Baldwin amend #2188 (to ensure States will ensure the unique needs of students at all levels of schooling).

Capito amend #2156 (to amend the State report card under section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act on 1965 to include the rates of enrollment in postsecondary education, and remediation rates, for high schools).

Thune amend #2232 (to allow extended services Project SERV grants under part A of title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to be available for violence prevention activities).

King amend #2256 (to amend the definitions of eligible technology and technology readiness survey and to provide a restriction of funds).

Schatz amend #2240 (to provide resources needed to study and review Native American language medium schools and programs).

Warren amend #2249 to amend section 1111(c) of the ESEA to require States to provide an assurance regarding cross-tabulation of student data).

At approximately 3:00 PM today, the Senate will proceed to vote on the following amendments:

Markey amend #2176 (to establish a climate change education program). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.* Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **44-53**.

Heitkamp amend #2171 (to reinstate grants to improve the mental health of children). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.* Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **58-39**.

Kirk amend #2161 (to ensure that States measure and report on indicators of student access to critical educational resources and identify disparities in such resources, and for other purposes). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.* Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **46-50**.

Murphy amend #2241 (to amend the accountability provisions). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.* Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **43-54**.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup> and will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). All time during the adjournment of the Senate will count toward post-cloture time on the substitute amendment.

At 10:45 AM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the following amendments.

Wicker amend #2144 (to provide States and local educational agencies with resources on climate theory to promote improved science education). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.*

Cruz amend #2180 (to provide for State-determined assessment and accountability systems, and for other purposes).

Sanders amend #2177 (to provide for youth jobs, and for other purposes). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.*

Coons amend #2243 (to authorize the establishment of American Dream Accounts). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.*

Burr amend #2247 (to amend the allocation of funds under subpart 2 of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965) as modified.

Brown amend #2100 (to amend title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a full-service community schools grant program).

Casey amend #2242 (to establish a Federal-State partnership to provide access to high-quality public prekindergarten programs from low-income and moderate-income families to ensure that they enter kindergarten prepared for success, and for other purposes). *Subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold.*

Hatch amend #2082 (to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 relating to early learning).

Warren amend #2106 (to amend title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to include specialized instructional support personnel in the literacy development of children).

Schatz amend #2130 (to amend title I to support assessments of school facilities).

Murphy amend #2186 (to establish the Promise Neighborhoods program).

Nelson amend #2215 (to include partnering with current and recently retired STEM professionals and tailoring educational resources to engage students and teachers in STEM) as modified.

Manchin amend #2222 (to amend the State requirements of section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 in order to support children facing substance abuse in the home).

Boozman amend #2231 (to support professional development to help students prepare for postsecondary education and the workforce).

Baldwin amend #2188 (to ensure States will ensure the unique needs of students at all levels of schooling).

Capito amend #2156 (to amend the State report card under section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act on 1965 to include the rates of enrollment in postsecondary education, and remediation rates, for high schools).

Thune amend #2232 (to allow extended services Project SERV grants under part A of title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to be available for violence prevention activities).

King amend #2256 (to amend the definitions of eligible technology and technology readiness survey and to provide a restriction of funds).

Schatz amend #2240 (to provide resources needed to study and review Native American language medium schools and programs).

Warren amend #2249 to amend section 1111(c) of the ESEA to require States to provide an assurance regarding cross-tabulation of student data).

The Senate adjourned at 6:22 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

**TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2015**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. Following leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches. There are no votes scheduled for today's session. On Monday, July 13, 2015, Senate McConnell filed cloture on both Alexander amend #2089 (In Nature of a Substitute) and S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

### **S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

Alexander amend #2089 (In Nature of a Substitute).

Scott amend #2132 (To expand opportunity by allowing Title I funds to follow low-income children). Under a Unanimous Consent agreement, the amendment must reach a 60-year threshold for passage. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 45-51.

Booker amend #2169 (To require a State's report card to include information on the graduation rates of homeless children and children in foster care). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of 56-40.

Portman amend #2137 (To provide for early college high school and dual or concurrent enrollment opportunities). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Bennet amend #2159 (To amend title IX regarding family engagement in education programs). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

The Senate recessed from 1:05-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

The Senate convened at 2:15 PM and resumed a Legislative Session.

### **S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

Alexander amend #2089 (In Nature of a Substitute).

Isakson amend #2194 (To require local educational agencies to inform parents of any state or local educational agency policy, procedure, or parental right regarding student participation in any mandated assessments for that school year). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of 97-0.

Bennet amend #2210 (To require states to establish a limit on the aggregate amount of time spent on assignments). Agreed to by voice vote.

Lee amend #2162 (To amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 relating to parental notification and opt-out of assignments). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **32-64**.

Franken amend #2093 (To end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools). Under a Unanimous Consent agreement, the amendment must reach a 60-yea threshold for passage. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **52-45**.

Coons motion to proceed to an Executive Session and approve five Judiciary nominations was objected to by Cotton.

Motion to Proceed to Proceed to H. R. 22 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986 to exempt employees under Tri-Care). McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to the bill. McConnell withdrew the Motion to Proceed.

S. 1300 (Adoptive Family Relief Act). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

Cal. #133, Romonia Dixon to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Confirmed by voice vote.

Cal. #134, Victoria Hughes to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Confirmed by voice vote.

Cal. #135, Richard Christman to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Confirmed by voice vote.

Cal. #206, Eric Liu to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Confirmed by voice vote.

Cal. #207, Dean Reuter to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Confirmed by voice vote.

Cal. #208, Shamina Singh Reuter to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Confirmed by voice vote.

S. 756 (Require a report on accountability of war crimes and crimes against humanity in Syria). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 1482 (Improve and reauthorize provisions relating to the application of the anti-trust laws to the award of the need-based education aid). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 204 (Recognizing June 20, 2015 as "World Refugee Day"). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 223 (Designating September 2015 as "National Child Awareness Month"). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 and will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). At 10:00 AM, the Senate will vote

on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Alexander amend #2089 (In the nature of a substitute). If cloture is invoked, the Senate will proceed with 30 hours of post-cloture debate. If cloture is not invoked, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the bill.

The Senate adjourned at 7:40 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2015

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM. Following leader remarks, there will be a period of Morning Business for one hour. The Senate will then resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to roll call votes on Hatch amend #2080 (Establish a committee on student privacy policy) and Kaine amend #2118 (Amend the State accountability system under section 1113(b)(3) regarding the measures used to ensure that students are ready to enter postsecondary education or the workforce without the need for postsecondary remediation).

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

### **S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

Hatch amend #2080 (Establish a committee on student privacy policy). Agreed to by a vote of **89-0**.

Kaine amend #2118 (Amend the State accountability system under section 1113(b)(3) regarding the measures used to ensure that students are ready to enter postsecondary education or the workforce without the need for postsecondary remediation). Agreed to by **voice vote**.

McConnell filed Cloture on Alexander amend #2089 (In Nature of a Substitute).

McConnell filed Cloture on S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, July 14, 2015. Following leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches. There are no votes scheduled for Tuesday's session. On Monday, July 13, 2015, Senate McConnell filed cloture on both Alexander amend #2089 (In Nature of a Substitute) and S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).

The Senate adjourned at 7:09 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2015

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). A series of roll call votes are expected around 11:30 AM.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader Time.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

### **S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

Daines amend #2110 (Allow a State to submit a declaration of intent to the Secretary of Education to combine certain funds to improve the academic achievement of students). Yeas and nays ordered, with a 60 yeas vote threshold. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **44-54**.

Brown amend #2099 (Amend part A of title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to allow funds provided under such part to be used for a site resource coordinator). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **98-0**.

Toomey amend #2094 (Protect our children from convicted pedophiles, child molesters, and other sex offenders infiltrating our schools and from schools "passing the trash"-- helping pedophiles obtain jobs at other schools), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **98-0**.

Portman amend #2147 (Promote recovery support services for students). Yeas and nays ordered. Agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Manchin amend #2103 (Enable local educational agencies to use funds under part A of the title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 for programs and activities that promote volunteerism and community service). Yeas and nays ordered. Agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Kaine amend #2096 (Add career and technical education as a core academic subject). Yeas and nays ordered. Agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Heller amend #2121 (Ensure timely and meaningful consultation between State educational agencies and Governors in the development of State plans under titles I and II and section 9302). Yeas and nays ordered. Agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Feinstein amend #2087 (Provide for additional means of certifying children, youth, parents, and families as homeless). Yeas and nays ordered. Agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Fischer amend #2079 (Ensure local governance of education). Yeas and nays ordered. Agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

**House Message to Accompany H.R. 1735 (National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016).** McConnell Motion to Insist on the Senate amendment, agree to the request by the House for a conference, and authorize the Chair to appoint conferees.

**McConnell Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Insist to the Senate amendment, agree to the request by the House for a conference, and authorize the Chair to appoint conferees with regards to H.R. 1735 (National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016).** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 81-15.

**Motion to Insist on the Senate amendment, agree to the request by the House for a conference, and authorize the Chair to appoint conferees with respect to H.R. 1735 (National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016).** The Motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**Motion to Instruct Conferees with respect to H.R. 1735 (National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016).** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion was not agreed to by a vote of 44-52.

**S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

The following amendments were considered en bloc:

Gardner amend #2083 (Enable local educational agencies to use funds under part A of Title I for dual or concurrent enrollment programs at eligible schools). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

McCaskill amend #2092 (Enabling States, as a consortium, to use certain grant funds to voluntarily develop a process that allows teachers who are licensed or certified in a participating State to teach in other participating States). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

Gillibrand amend #2108 (Amend the program under part E of title II to ensure increased access to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics subject fields for underrepresented students). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

Gardner amend #2119 (Include charter school representatives in the list of entities with whom a State and local educational agency shall consult in the development of plans under title I). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

Casey amend #2131 (Improve the bill relating to appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

Klobuchar amend #2138 (Amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 relating to improving student academic achievement in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The following amendments were considered en bloc and made pending to the bill:

Kirk amend #2161 (Ensure that States measure and report on indicators of student access to critical educational resources and identify disparities in such resources).

Scott amend #2132 (Expand opportunity by allowing Title I funds to follow low-income children).

Hatch amend #2080 (Establish a committee on student privacy policy).

The following amendments were called up en bloc and made pending to the bill:  
Franken amend #2093 (End discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools).

Kaine amend #2118 (Amend the State accountability system under section 1113(b)(3) regarding the measures used to ensure that students are ready to enter postsecondary education or the workforce without the need for postsecondary remediation).

At 5:30 PM on Monday, July 13, the Senate will proceed to roll call votes on Hatch amend #2080 (Establish a committee on student privacy policy) and Kaine amend #2118 (Amend the State accountability system under section 1113(b)(3) regarding the measures used to ensure that students are ready to enter postsecondary education or the workforce without the need for postsecondary remediation).

H. R. 2620 (Amend the U.S. Cotton Futures Act to exclude certain cotton futures contracts from coverage under such Act). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 143 (U. S. Merchant Marine Academy Improvements Act of 2015). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 1180 (Integrated Public Alert and Warning System Modernization Act of 2015). Agreed to by unanimous consent, as amended.

S. 1359 (E-Warranty Act of 2015). Agreed to by unanimous consent, as amended.

The following resolutions were considered en bloc:

S. Res. 219 (). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 220 (). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 221 (). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, July 13, 2015. Following leader remarks, there will be a period of Morning Business for one hour. The Senate will then resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to roll call votes on Hatch amend #2080 (Establish a committee on student privacy policy) and Kaine amend #2118 (Amend the State accountability system under section 1113(b)(3) regarding the measures used to ensure that students are ready to enter postsecondary education or the workforce without the need for postsecondary remediation).

The Senate adjourned at 6:35 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2015

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. Following Leader Remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches. Votes are expected in the morning prior to the caucus meetings but are not currently scheduled.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

### **S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

Reed amend #2085 (Regarding school librarians and effective school library programs.). The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **98-0**.

Warner amend #2086 (Enable the use of certain State and local administrative funds for fiscal support teams). The amendment was agreed to by **voice vote**.

Rounds amend #2078 (Require the Secretary of Education and the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study regarding elementary and secondary education in rural or poverty areas of Indian country). The amendment was agreed to by **voice vote**.

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

The Senate reconvened at 2:15 PM.

### **S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

Alexander amend #2139 (To allow States to let Federal funds for the education of disadvantaged children follow low-income children to the accredited or otherwise State-approved public school, private school, or supplemental educational service programs they attend). Laid aside.

Hirono amend #2109 (To amend Section 1111(b)(2)(B)(xi) to provide for additional disaggregation for local educational agencies with a total of not less than 1,000 Asian and Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander students). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **47-50**.

Tester amend #2107 (To restore sections of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **56-41**.

Alexander amend #2139 (To allow States to let Federal funds for the education of disadvantaged children follow low-income children to the accredited or otherwise State-approved public school, private school, or supplemental educational service programs they attend). The amendment is subject to a 60-affirmative vote for passage. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **45-52**.

Murray amend #2124 (To require schools to collect and report data on interscholastic sports).  
Agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Bennet amend #2115 (To provide for a study for increasing the effectiveness of existing services and programs intended to benefit children). Agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The following bills were considered en bloc:

H.R. 728 (Sergeant First Class William B. Woods, Jr. Post Office).

H.R. 891 (Floresville Veterans Post Office Building).

H.R. 1326 (Sergeant First Class Daniel M. Ferguson Post Office).

H.T. 1350 (Herman Badillo Post Office Building).

Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 200 (Dalai Lama 80<sup>th</sup> birthday). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 218 (US Women's National Team FIFA World Cup winners). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, July 9<sup>th</sup> and will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). A series of roll call votes are expected around 11:30 AM.

The Senate adjourned at 7:18 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2015

The Senate will convene at 2:30 PM. Following Leader Remarks, the Senate will proceed to the Motion to Proceed to S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the nomination of Cal. #81, Kara Farnandez Stoll, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S 1698 (A bill to exclude payments from State eugenics compensation programs from consideration in determining eligibility for, or the amount of, Federal public benefits). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to. The bill was placed on the Calendar.

### **S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015).**

Alexander amend #2089 (In Nature of a Substitute). For the purposes of debate, the amendment will be considered as original bill text.

Peters amend #2095 (financial literacy activities). Laid aside.

Rounds amend #2078 (study of education of rural and poverty areas of Indian country). Laid aside.

Reed amend #2085 (school library programs). Laid aside.

Warner amend #2086 (use of local administrative funds for fiscal support teams). Laid aside.

Toomey amend #2094 (protecting children from pedophiles in schools). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #81, Kara Farnandez Stoll, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.** The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **95-0**.

S. 286 (To amend the Indian Self-Determination Assistance Act). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, July 8, 2015. Following Leader Remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 1177 (Every Child Achieves Act of 2015). The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches. Votes are expected in the morning prior to the caucus meetings but are not currently scheduled.

The Senate adjourned at 6:54 PM.