

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2012

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will immediately proceed to the consideration of S. 3326 (African Trade/CAFTADR/Burma Sanctions) with debate on the bill and a Coburn amendment. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on S. 3414 (A bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States). The Senate will then proceed to a vote on the Coburn amendment to S. 3326, under a previous unanimous consent agreement.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. 3457 (Require the Secretary of the Veteran's Affairs to establish a veteran's jobs corps). Laid aside.

S. 3326 (African Trade/CAFTADR/Burma Sanctions).

Coburn amend #2771 (Substitute amendment). Laid aside.

S. 3414 (A bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States). Motion to Invoke Cloture on the bill. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was not agreed to by a vote of 52-46.

S. 3326 (African Trade/CAFTADR/Burma Sanctions).

Coburn amend #2771 (Substitute amendment). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 40-58.

S. 3326 (African Trade/CAFTADR/Burma Sanctions). The bill is passed by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #651 (Gershwin Drain to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan). Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 55-41.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

Under the previous order, H.R. 5986 (To amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003), having been received from the House of Representatives and its text being identical to the section of S. 3326,

the Senate passed H.R. 5986 (To amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act and so forth and for other purposes) by unanimous consent.

S. Con. Res. 56 (Providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and adjournment of the House of Representatives). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 3510 (A bill to be prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom internet publication of certain information applies). The bill passed by unanimous consent.

McConnell unanimous consent that immediately following the disposition of S. 3414 (A bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States) but no later than September the 28th, the Senate proceed to the consideration of H.R. 6079 (An Act to Repeal the President's Health Care Bill), that there be one hour of debate on the bill, no amendments be in order to the measure, and follow that debate, the bill be read a third time and the senate proceed to vote on passage with no intervening action or debate. Reid objected.

Reid filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 3457 (Require the Secretary of the Veteran's Affairs to establish a veteran's jobs corps). The vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture will occur at 2:15 PM on Tuesday, September 11, 2012.

On Monday, September 10, 2012 at 5:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to and Executive Session to consider Cal #664 (Stephanie Rose to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa). There will be 30 minutes of debate followed by a vote on the nomination at 5:30 PM.

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

Cal. #450 (Laura Cordero, Henry Truman Scholarship Foundation).

Cal. #609 (Steven Cohen, Henry Truman Scholarship Foundation).

Cal. #709 (Paul Hodes, National Council on the Arts).

Cal. #718 (James Dempsey, Civil Liberties Oversight Board).

Cal. #719 (Elizabeth Cook, Civil Liberties Oversight Board).

Cal. #720 (Rachel Brand, Civil Liberties Oversight Board).

Cal. #723 (Patricia Wald, Civil Liberties Oversight Board).

Cal. #825 (Matthew Rutherford, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury).

Cal. #826 (Meredith Broadbent, Member of the International Trade Commission).

Cal. #827 (Mark Mazur, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury).

Cal. #831 (Danny Chappelle Williams, US Attorney for Northern District of Oklahoma).

Cal. #837 (John Peabody, to be Member of the President's Mississippi River Commission).

Cal. #838 (Sean Sullivan, Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board).

Cal. #841 (Mark Welsh to be an Air Force General).

Cal. #858 (Gene Cretz, Ambassador to Republic of Ghana).

Cal. #859 (Deborah Ruth Malac to be Ambassador to the Republic of Libya).

Cal. #860 (Thomas Hart to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands).

Cal. #866 (Michael Kirby to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia).

Cal. #867 (Gerd Glang to be Rear Admiral for the NOAA).
Cal. #868 (Michael Devany to be Rear Admiral for the NOAA).
Cal. #869 (David Score to be Rear Admiral for the NOAA).
Cal. #872 (Patricia Falcone to be Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology).
Cal. #874
All nominations placed on the Secretary's desk in the Foreign Service.

Reid unanimous consent that the following nominations under the privileged section of the Executive Calendar be considered:

PN #1513 (Ingrid Gregg of Michigan to be on the board of trustees for the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation).

PN #1514 (James Henderson of Kentucky to be on the board of trustees for the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation).

The nominations were agreed to by unanimous consent.

PN #1731 (Kimberly Knowles to be a Circuit Judge in Washington, DC). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

PN #1826 (James B. Cunningham of New York to be the Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

H.R. 4240 (An act to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 3245 (A bill to permanently reauthorize the EB-5 regional center program). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H.R. 1402 (An act to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations and so forth). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H.R. 3670 (An act to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Right Act). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 402 (Condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army and so forth). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 418 (Commending the 80 brave men who became known as the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate confirmed the following nominations en bloc:

S. Res. 545

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H. Con. Res. 135 (Use of Capitol Rotunda for Gold Medal Ceremony). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Con. Res. 59 (Providing for Congressional adjournment or recess of the Senate and adjournment of the House of Representatives). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 3519 (A bill to require sponsoring Senators to pay the printing costs of ceremonial and commemorative senate resolutions). The bill was read for the first time. The second reading was objected to.

After the Senate adjourns on Thursday, August 2, 2012, the Senate will conduct Pro Forma Sessions only with no business conducted (Beginning on Tuesday, August 7th, 2012 the pro forma sessions will be held in Hart 216 while repairs are being made to the Senate Chamber).

The Senate will conduct Pro Forma Sessions on the following days:

- Friday, August 3rd at 10:15 AM.
- Tuesday, August 7th at 11:00 AM.
- Friday, August 10th at 11:00 AM.
- Tuesday, August 14th at 2:30 PM.
- Friday, August 17th at 11:30 AM.
- Tuesday, August 21st at 10:00 AM.
- Friday, August 24th at 10:00 AM.
- Tuesday, August 28th at 2:30 PM.
- Friday, August 31st at 11:30 AM.
- Tuesday, September 4th at 11:30 AM.
- Friday, September 7th at 12:00 PM.

If the Senate receives a message from the House that it has adopted S. Con.Res.59, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, the pro forma sessions above will not occur and the Senate will adjourn until 2:00 PM on Monday, September 10, 2012.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, September 10, 2012 and will proceed to Leader Time. At 5:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to and Executive Session to consider Cal #664 (Stephanie Rose to be US District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa). There will be 30 minutes of debate followed by a vote on the nomination at 5:30 PM. On Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at 2:15 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 3457 (Require the Secretary of the Veteran's Affairs to establish a veteran's jobs corps).

The Senate adjourned at 8:31 PM.

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2012

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed to a period of Leader time. If no time agreement on the Cloture Motion vote on S. 3414 (A bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States), the vote will occur on Thursday.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a period of Leader time.

Motion to Proceed to S. 3457 (A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps). Laid aside.

S. Con. Res. 55 (Makes a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 1627). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

Motion to Proceed to S. 3457 (A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps).

Sen. Murray motion to proceed to the consideration of H. R. 9 (Small Business Tax Cut Act), insert the language of S. 1925 (Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act) and pass the bill was objected to by Sen. Grassley.

Sen. Grassley motion to proceed to the consideration of H. R. 4970 (House passed Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act), insert the text of S. 1925 (Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act) with a modification that strikes sections 805 and 810 be agreed to and passed was objected to by Sen. Murray.

The following Motion by Sen. Reid was agreed to by unanimous consent:

The Senate will proceed, at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader after consultation with the Republican Leader, to the consideration of S. 3326 (African Trade/CAFTADR/Burma Sanctions), that the only amendment in order would be a Coburn amendment and that there be 30 minutes for debate. Further, upon the use of that time, the Senate will proceed to vote in relation to the amendment. If the amendment is not agreed to, the bill will be read a third time and passed; that when the Senate receives H. R. 5986 (To amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act) and if its text is identical to S. 3326 (see above), the Senate proceed to consideration of H. R. 5986 (see above), the bill be read and passed. Further, that if the Coburn amendment is agreed to, the Senate proceed to the consideration of H. R. 9 (Small Business Tax Cut Act), that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 3326 (see above), as amended be inserted and be passed; that when the Senate receives H. R. 5986 (see above), the senate proceed to it and all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of sections 2 and 3 of S. 3326 (see above), as reported be inserted and the bill be passed.

House Message on H. R. 1905 (Act to strengthen Iran sanctions laws). Motion to Concur in the House Message was agreed to by voice vote.

The following resolutions were considered en bloc:

H. R. 1369 (Postal Naming Bill). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H. R. 3276 (Postal Naming Bill). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H. R. 3412 (Postal Naming Bill). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H. R. 3501 (Postal Naming Bill). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H. R. 3772 (Postal Naming Bill). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H. R. 1560 (Indian Restoration Act). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 1409 (A bill to intensify efforts to identify, prevent and recover payment, error, waste, fraud and abuse within Federal spending). Agreed to by unanimous consent, as amended.

S. J. Res. 49 (Providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a Citizen Regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 519 (Designating Oct. 30, 2012 as "National Day of Remembrance for Nuclear Weapons Programs Workers"). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The following resolutions were considered en bloc:

S.Res.536 (Designating September 9, 2012 as "National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day"). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S.Res.537 (Supporting the goals and ideals of National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S.Res.538 (Designating September 2012 as "National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month"). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S.Res.539 (Designating October 13, 2012, as "National Chess Day"). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S.Res.540 (Designating the week of August 6th through August 10, 2012, as "National Convenient Care Clinic Week"). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

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The Senate adjourned at 8:10 PM.