

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, JUNE 29, 2012

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and Senator Reid will be recognized. Senator Reid stated he hopes to begin votes and wrap up early in the day.

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

Motion to Proceed to S. 2237 (Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act).

S. 1335 (Pilot's Bill of Rights). Inhofe amendment agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

Conference Report on H.R. 4348 (The Highway/Student Loans/Flood Insurance Act).

McConnell Point of Order that that the Conference Report on H.R. 4348 (The Highway/Student Loans/Flood Insurance Act) has not been publicly available for 48 hours, as required by Rule XXVIII, Paragraph IX. Reid Motion to Waive Rule XXVIII with respect to the Conference Report on H.R. 4348 (The Highway/Student Loans/Flood Insurance Act). Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Waive was agreed to by a vote of **72-22** and the Point of Order **fails**.

Coats Point of Order that that the Conference Report on H.R. 4348 (The Highway/Student Loans/Flood Insurance Act) violates Rule XXVIII as it is a matter not committed by either House. Reid Motion to Waive Rule XXVIII with respect to the Conference Report on H.R. 4348 (The Highway/Student Loans/Flood Insurance Act). Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Waive is agreed to by a vote of **66-28** and the Point of Order **fails**.

Corker Point of Order that the Conference Report on H.R. 4348 (The Highway/Student Loans/Flood Insurance Act) violates Section 311 (A) 2 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974. Reid Motion to Waive all applicable sections of the Budget Act. Yays and nays ordered. The Motion to Waive is agreed to by a vote of **63-31-1** and the Point of Order **fails**.

Conference Report on H.R. 4348 (The Highway/Student Loans/Flood Insurance Act). Yeas and nays ordered. Under a previous order, the Conference is subject to a 60-affirmative vote for passage. The Conference Report passed by a vote of **74-19-1**.

S. Con. 51 (Adjournment Resolution). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

Reid filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2237 (Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act). The vote will occur on Tuesday, July 10th at 2:15 PM.

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

Cal. #726 (Herbert Carlisle to be an Air Force General).

H.R. 6064 (The Temporary Surface Transportation Extension Act (extends to July 6, 2012). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 2165 (United States-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act of 2012) with a committee-reported substitute amendment. The bill as amended was agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

S. 3238 (A bill to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community based outpatient clinic in Mansfield, Ohio, as the David F. Winder Department of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic and for other purposes). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res.376 (A resolution commemorating the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States and recognizing the contributions of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 3363 (To provide for the use of National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center Commemorative Coin surcharges, and for other purposes). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 2239 (To direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses) with a committee-reported substitute amendment. Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H.R.4018, Public Safety Officers' Benefits Improvements Act of 2012. The bill was read for the first time. The second reading was objected to.

Upon adjournment of today's session, the Senate will convene for Pro Forma Sessions only on the following days:

Tuesday, July 3, 2012 at 12:00 Noon.

Friday, July 6, 2012 at 12:00 Noon.

The Senate will conduct Pro Forma Sessions unless the Senate has received a message from the House that it has adopted S. Con. Res. 51 (The adjournment resolution). If the Senate has received such a message, the Senate will adjourn until Monday, July 9, 2012, at 2:00 PM.

The Senate will convene on Monday, July 9, 2012 at 2:00 PM and will proceed to Leader time. There will be no votes during Monday's session of the Senate. On Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 12:00 Noon, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on Cal. #661 (John Thomas Fowlkes to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee). At 2:15 PM, the Senate will proceed to a Legislative Session and will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2237 (Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act).

The Senate adjourned at 4:04 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2012

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed to a Legislative Session. Sen. Durbin announced that the Senate will debate the Flood Insurance Act during today's session, and that he hopes the Senate will reach an agreement and complete action on the bill. Sen. Durbin also announced the Senate plans to consider the Transportation Bill and Student Loan Extension later this week.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2237 (Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act).

S. 3342 (The Secure IT Act). The bill was read for the first time. The second reading of the bill was objected to.

S. Res. 511 (Commending the Pacific Lutheran University Softball Team). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 512 (Recognizing the 100th anniversary of Rice University). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, June 28, 2012. There will be one hour of Leader Time. Sen. Durbin announced the intention to continue debating S. 1940 (Flood Insurance Reform and Modernization Act of 2011). He also announced that the Senate is awaiting House action on Transportation Bill.

The Senate adjourned at 5:20 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2012

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed to a Legislative Session. At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session and consider Cal. #652 (Robin Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida) and will vote on the nomination at 12:00 Noon. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons. At 2:15 PM, there will be 6 hours and 15 minutes of debate time remaining post-cloture on the Motion to Concur in the House amendment to S. 3187 (FDA Safety and Innovation Act). The Senate hopes to complete action on FDA bill today.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Concur in the House amendment to S. 3187 (FDA Safety and Innovation Act).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #652 (Robin Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida). Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 92-3.

The Senate recessed for Party caucuses.

The Senate reconvened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Concur in the House amendment to S. 3187 (FDA Safety and Innovation Act). Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Concur was agreed to by a vote of 92-4.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2237 (Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act).

S. Res. 473 (Polio). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate passed the following resolutions en bloc by unanimous consent:

S. Res. 506

S. Res. 507

S. Res. 508

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S. Res. 510

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 and will proceed to a Legislative Session. Sen. Durbin announced that the Senate will debate the Flood Insurance Act during Wednesday's session, and that he hopes the Senate will reach an agreement and complete action on the bill. Sen. Durbin also announced the Senate plans to consider the Transportation Bill and Student Loan Extension later this week.

The Senate adjourned at 6:30 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2012

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act). At a time to be determined on Monday, the Senate will agree to the Motion to Proceed to S. 1940. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Concur in the House amendment to S.3187 (FDA Safety and Innovation Act). There is an additional order that at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, June 26, 2012, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of Executive Calendar #652 (Robin Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida). There will be 30 minutes for debate prior to a vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 12:00, Noon on Tuesday.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act). The Motion to Proceed is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act).

Reid amend #2468 (Substitute amendment). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid amend #2469 (Pryor amendment). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid 2nd degree amend #2470 () to Reid amend #2469 ().

Reid amend #2471 () to amend #2468 (). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid 2nd degree amend #2472 () to Reid amend #2471 ().

Reid Motion to Recommit the bill to the committee on Banking with instruction to report back with amend #2473 (). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid amend #2474 () to the Instructions amend #2473 (). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid 2nd degree amend #2475 () to Reid amend #2474 ().

Motion to Proceed to S. 2237 (Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act).

Motion to Concur in the House amendment to S. 3187 (FDA Safety and Innovation Act). Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Concur. The Cloture Motion was agreed to by a vote of 89-3.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 503 (National Aphasia Awareness Month). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 504 (Expressing support for the International Olympic Committee and honoring those killed at the 1972 Munich Games). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 26, 2012 and will proceed to Leader time. At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session and consider Cal. #652 (Robin Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida) and will vote on the nomination at 12:00 Noon. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons. At 2:15 PM, there will be 6 hours and 15 minutes of debate time remaining postcloture on the Motion to Concur in the House amendment to S. 3187 (FDA Safety and Innovation Act). The Senate hopes to complete action on FDA bill tomorrow.

The Senate adjourned at 7:10 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 2012

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM and the Majority Leader will be recognized. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill) and will begin a series of roll call votes on the remaining amendments and final passage. Senator Reid previously announced that he hopes to wrap up all votes by 3:00 PM today.

The following amendments/motions are the only amendments/motions remaining in order to S. 3240:

- Toomey amend #2247 (Paperwork) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Sanders amend #2310 (Genetically engineered food) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Coburn amend #2214 (Convention funding) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Boxer side-by-side to Johanns amend #2372 (Aerial inspections) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Johanns amend #2372 (Aerial inspections) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Murray amend # 2455(Sequestration) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- McCain amend #2162 (Sequestration report - DoD) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Rubio amend #2166 (RAISE Act) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Final passage of S. 3240 (Farm Bill) as amended. Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act).

S. 3240 (Farm Bill).

Boxer amend #2456 (Aerial inspections). The amendment is subject to a 60-affirmative threshold. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **47-48**.

Johanns amend #2372 (Prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from conducting aerial surveillance to inspect agricultural operations or to record images of agricultural operations). The amendment is subject to a 60-affirmative threshold. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **56-43**.

Toomey amend #2247 (To reduce unnecessary paperwork burdens on community water systems). The amendment is subject to a 60-affirmative threshold. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **58-41**.

Sanders amend #2310 (To permit States to require that any food, beverage, or other edible product offered for sale have a label on indicating that the food, beverage, or other edible product

contains a genetically engineered ingredient). The amendment is subject to a 60-affirmative threshold. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **26-73**.

Coburn amend #2214 (To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions, and to provide for the return of previously distributed funds for deficit reduction). The amendment is subject to a 60-affirmative threshold. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **95-4**.

Murray amend #2455 (To require the Office of Management and Budget to submit a detailed report to Congress on effects of defense and nondefense budget sequestration for fiscal year 2013). The amendment was agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

McCain amend #2162 (To require a report on the effects of the budget sequestration commencing in 2013 on the Department of Defense). The amendment was **withdrawn**.

Rubio amend #2166 (To amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees). The amendment is subject to a 60-affirmative threshold. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **45-54**.

S. 3240 (Farm Bill) as amended. The bill was read for the third time. Final passage. The bill is subject to a 60-affirmative threshold. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill as amended passed by a vote of **64-35**.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act). Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **96-2**.

Message from the House S. 3187 (FDA Safety and Innovation Act) with an amendment. Reid motion to concur with the Message from the House with respect to the bill. Yeas and nays ordered. Sen. Reid filed a Cloture Motion on the Motion to concur in the House Amendment.

Reid motion to concur with an amendment #2461 (Of a perfecting nature). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid second degree amend #2462 (Of a perfecting nature) to Reid amend #2461 (Of a perfecting nature). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid Motion to refer the House Message to the HELP Committee with instructions amend #2463 (Of a perfecting nature). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid amend #2464 (Of a perfecting nature) to the instructions of the Motion to Refer the House Message.

Reid second degree amend #2465 (Of a perfecting nature) to Reid amend #2464 (Of perfecting nature).

The Senate proceeded with an Executive Session to consider the following nominations en bloc:

Calendar #779 William B. Pollard, III, of New York, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Military Commission Review. (New Position). Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Executive Calendar #780 Scott L. Silliman, of North Carolina, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Military Commission Review. (New Position). Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #781 to be Lieutenant General in the Air Force: Lt. Gen. Michael R. Moeller. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #782 to be Lieutenant General in the Air Force: Lt. Gen. Mark F. Ramsay. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #783 to be Lieutenant General: Maj. Gen. Thomas W. Travis. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #784 to be Lieutenant General: Maj. Gen. Darren W. McDew. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #785 to be Lieutenant General: Lt. Gen. Stanley T. Kresge. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #786 to be Major General in the Army: Brigadier General Edward M. Reeder, Jr. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #787 to be Lieutenant General in the Army: Lt. Gen. John F. Mulholland, Jr. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #788 to be Lieutenant General in the Army: Maj. Gen. William B. Garrett, III. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #789 to be Lieutenant General in the Army: Lt. Gen. Howard B. Bromberg. Confirmed by unanimous consent. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #790 to be Lieutenant General in the Army: Maj. Gen. James L. Huggins, Jr. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #791 to be Brigadier General in the Army: Col. Barry D. Keeling. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #792 to be Brigadier General: Col. Joseph E. Rooney. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #793 to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy: Capt. Janet R. Donovan. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #794 to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy: Capt. Barbara W. Sweredoski. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #795 to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy: Capt. Kirby D. Miller. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #796 to be Rear Admiral (Lower Half) in the Navy: Captain Michael J.; Dumont; Captain Robert L. Greene; Captain Lawrence B. Jackson; Captain Scott B. J. Jerabek. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #797 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Clinton F. Faison, III. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #798 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Jonathan A. Yuen. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #799 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Katherine L. Gregory; Rear Adm. (lh) Kevin R. Slates. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #800 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Sandy L. Daniels; Rear Adm. (lh) John E. Jolliffe; Rear Adm. (lh) Christopher J. Paul. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #801 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Bruce A. Doll. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #802 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) David G. Russell. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #803 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Elizabeth L. Train. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #804 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) Richard D. Berkey.

Calendar #805 to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy: Capt. Douglas G. Morto Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #806 to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy: Capt. Terry J. Moulton. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #807 to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy Capt. David R. Pimpo; Capt. Donald L. Singleton. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #808 to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy: Capt. Paul A. Sohl. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #809 to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy: Capt. Bruce F. Loveless. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #810 to be Rear Admiral (lower half) in the Navy; Capt. Brian K. Antonio; Capt. Luther B. Fuller, III. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #811 to be Vice Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. Robin R. Braun. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #812 to be Vice Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. Paul J. Bushong. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #813 to be Rear Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. (lh) James W. Crawford, III. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #814 to be Vice Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. Nanette M. DeRenzi. Confirmed by unanimous consent. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #815 to be Vice Admiral in the Navy: Rear Adm. Michael J. Connor. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #816 to be Brigadier General in the Marine Corps Colonel Edward D. Banta; Colonel Matthew G. Glavy; Colonel William F. Mullen, III; Colonel Gregg P. Olson; Colonel James S. O'Meara; Colonel Eric M. Smith. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

Calendar #817 to be Lieutenant General in the Marine Corps: Maj. Gen. (Select) William M. Faulkner. Confirmed by unanimous consent.

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

H. R. 33 (Amend the Securitas Act of 1933). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 471 (Commending the efforts of the women of the American Red Cross Blood Mobiles during the Second World War). Agreed to by unanimous consent as amended.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 25, 2012 and will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act). At a time to be determined on Monday, the Senate will agree to the Motion to Proceed to S. 1940. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Concur in the

House amendment to S.3187 (FDA Safety and Innovation Act). There is an additional order that at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, June 26, 2012, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of Executive Calendar #652 (Robin Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida). There will be 30 minutes for debate prior to a vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 12:00, Noon on Tuesday.

The Senate adjourned at 5:40 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2012

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed to the Motion to Proceed to S.J. Res. 37 (A joint resolution to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emission standards for certain steam generating units). At approximately 11:30 AM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Proceed to S.J. Res. 37. If the Motion to Proceed is agreed to, there will be up to ten hours for debate equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees, prior to a roll call vote on adoption of S.J. Res. 37. If the Motion to Proceed is not agreed to, the Senate will resume roll call votes relative to the S. 3240 (Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act).

The following amendments/motions are the only amendments/motions remaining in order to S. 3240:

- Manchin amend #2345 (Dietary study);
- DeMint amend #2273 (broadband in rural areas);
- Merkley amend #2382 (Organic crop insurance);
- Coburn amend #2289 (MAP);
- Schumer amend #2427 (ACER);
- Coburn amend #2293 (Limit millionaires);
- Stabenow amend #2453 (NAP);
- Kerry amend #2454 (North Korea);
- Kyl amend #2354 (North Korea);
- Udall (CO) amend #2295 (Bark beetle);
- Lee amend #2313 (Forest Legacy);
- Warner amend #2457 (Rural broadband);
- Lee amend #2314 (CSP/CRP cut);
- Wyden amend #2442 (Microloans);
- Boozman amend #2355 (Agriculture research, law info);
- Wyden amend #2388 (Farm to school);
- Boozman amend #2360 (TEFAP);
- Leahy amend #2204 (Rural development);
- Toomey amend #2226 (Energy title);
- Nelson (NE) amend #2242 (Rural housing);
- Toomey amend #2433 (sugar program);
- Klobuchar amend #2299 (Transportation study);
- Lee Motion to Recommit (FY 2008 levels);
- Carper amend #2287 (Poultry feed research);
- Johnson (WI) Motion to Recommit;
- Sanders amend #2254 (Biomass);
- Chambliss amend #2438 (Conservation crop insurance);
- Thune amend #2437 (Crop insurance);
- Durbin-Coburn amend #2439 (Crop insurance);
- Chambliss amend #2340 (Sugar);
- Chambliss amend #2432 (FMPP);

- Ayotte amend #2195 (GAO crop insurance fraud report);
- Blunt amend #2246 (Veterans);
- Moran amend #2403 (Food aid);
- Moran amend #2443 (Beginning farmers)
- Vitter amend #2363 (Pets);
- Bennet-Crapo amend #2202 (land easements);
- Toomey amend #2247 (Paperwork) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Sanders amend #2310 (Genetically engineered food) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Coburn amend #2214 (Convention funding) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Boxer side-by-side to Johanns amend #2372 (Aerial inspections) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Johanns amend #2372 (Aerial inspections) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Murray amend # 2455(Sequestration) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- McCain amend #2162 (Sequestration report - DoD) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Rubio amend #2166 (RAISE Act) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Final passage of S. 3240 (Farm Bill) as amended. Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act). Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed.

Motion to Proceed to S.J. Res. 37 (A joint resolution to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emission standards for certain steam generating units). Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Proceed was not agreed to by a vote of 46-53.

S. 3240 (Farm Bill).

Manchin amend #2345 (Dietary study). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Merkley amend #2382 (Organic crop insurance). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of 63-36.

DeMint amend #2273 (broadband in rural areas). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 44-55.

Coburn amend #2289 (MAP). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote 30-69.

Coburn amend #2293 (Limit millionaires). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of 63-36.

Stabenow amend #2453 (NAP). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Kerry amend #2454 (North Korea). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **59-40**.

Kyl amend #2354 (North Korea). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **43-56**.

Udall (CO) amend #2295 (Bark beetle). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **77-22**.

Lee amend #2313 (Forest Legacy). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **21-77**.

Warner amend #2457 (Rural broadband), as modified. The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Lee amend #2314 (CSP/CRP cut). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **15-84**.

Schumer amend #2427 (ACER). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Wyden amend #2388 (Farm to school). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Boozman amend #2355 (Agriculture research, law info). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Wyden amend #2442 (Microloans). The amendment is agreed to by a **Division Vote**.

Boozman amend #2360 (TEFAP), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **35-63-1 present**.

Leahy amend #2204 (Rural development). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Toomey amend #2226 (Energy title). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **36-63**.

Nelson (NE) amend #2242 (Rural housing). The amendment was agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Toomey amend #2433 (Sugar program). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **46-53**.

Klobuchar amend #2299 (Transportation study). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Lee Motion to Recommit (FY 2008 levels). Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Recommit is not agreed to by a vote of **29-70**.

The following amendments are considered en bloc:
Ayotte amend #2195 (GAO crop insurance fraud report).
Blunt amend #2246 (Veterans).
Moran amend #2403 (Food aid).
Moran amend #2443 (Beginning farmers).
Vitter amend #2363 (Pets), as modified.
The amendments are agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

Carper amend #2287 (Poultry feed research). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Johnson (WI) Motion to Recommit (Nutrition). Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Recommit was not agreed to by a vote of **40-59**.

Sanders amend #2254 (Biomass). Agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Vitter amend #2663 (Pets). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is subject to a 60-yea vote threshold. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **88-11**.

Chambliss amend #2438 (Conservation crop insurance). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **52-47**.

Thune amend #2437 (Crop insurance). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **44-55**.

Coburn amend #2439 (Crop insurance). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **66-33**.

Chambliss amend #2340 (Sugar). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Chambliss amend #2432 (FMPP). The amendment is not agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Bennet amend #2202 (Land easements). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The following resolutions were considered en bloc:
S. Res. 500 ().
S. Res. 501 ().
S. Res. 502 ().
The resolutions are agreed to, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM on Thursday, June 21, 2012 and the Majority Leader will be recognized. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill) and will begin a series of roll call votes on the remaining amendments and final passage. Senator Reid previously announced that he hopes to wrap up all votes by 3:00 PM tomorrow.

The Senate adjourned at 7:15 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2012

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and there will be two hours of Leader time. The Senate will recess from 12:30 – 2:15 PM for Party caucuses. At 2:15 PM, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill) under the provisions of the above unanimous consent agreement. Upon conclusion of S. 3240, the Senate will proceed to two hours of debate on the Motion to Proceed to S. J. Res. 37 (Disapproving a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emissions standards for certain steam generating units). Votes will begin at 2:15 PM.

Sen. Reid received unanimous consent that when the Senate resumes consideration of S.3240 (Farm Bill), the pending motion to recommit be withdrawn; that amendment #2390 be withdrawn; that the Stabenow-Roberts amendment #2389 be agreed to; the bill, as amended, be considered original text for the purposes of further amendment; that the following amendments and motions be the only first degree amendments and motions in order to the bill:

- Akaka amend #2440 (Highly fractionated tribal lands);
- Akaka amend #2396 (Tribal relations office);
- Baucus amend #2429 (Livestock);
- Bingaman amend #2364 (Multi-state aquifers);
- Brown (OH) amend #2445 (Rural development);
- Cantwell amend #2370 (Pulse pilot);
- Casey amend #2238 (Technical/study -federal milk marketing)
- Coons amend #2426 (Poultry insurance study);
- Feinstein amend #2422 (Conservation innovation grants);
- Feinstein amend #2309 (Insurance recall);
- Gillibrand amend #2156 (SNAP);
- Hagan amend #2366 (Crop insurance - plain language);
- Kerry amend #2187 (Commercial fishermen);
- Landrieu amend #2321 (Rural development loans);
- Manchin amend #2345 (Dietary study);
- Merkley amend #2382 (Organic crop insurance);
- Schumer amend #2427 (ACER);
- Stabenow amend #2453 (NAP);
- Udall (CO) amend #2295 (Bark beetle);
- Warner amend #2457 (Rural broadband);
- Wyden amend #2442 (Microloans);
- Wyden amend #2388 (Farm to school);
- Leahy amend #2204 (Rural development);
- Nelson (NE) amend #2242 (Rural housing);
- Klobuchar amend #2299 (Transportation study);
- Carper amend #2287 (Poultry feed research);
- Sanders amend #2254 (Biomass);
- Thune amend #2437 (Crop insurance);

- Durbin-Coburn amend #2439 (Crop insurance);
- Snowe amend #2190 (Milk marketing order reform);
- Ayotte amend #2192 (Value added grants);
- Collins amend #2444 (Dairy);
- Grassley amend #2167 (Pay cap marketing loans);
- Sessions amend #2174 (SNAP);
- Nelson (NE) amend #2243 (SNAP);
- Sessions amend #2172 (SNAP);
- Paul amend #2181 (\$250,000 income limit);
- Alexander amend #2191 (Wind loans);
- McCain amend #2199 (Catfish);
- Toomey amend #2217 (Organic/AMA);
- DeMint amend #2263 (Broadband funding);
- DeMint amend #2262 (Sense of the Senate Free MKT);
- DeMint amend #2268 (Loan guarantees);
- DeMint amend #2276 (Checkoffs);
- DeMint amend #2273 (Broadband);
- Coburn amend #2289 (MAP);
- Coburn amend #2293 (Limit Millionaires);
- Kerry amend #2454 (North Korea);
- Kyl amend #2354 (North Korea);
- Lee amend #2313 (Forest Legacy);
- Lee amend #2314 (CSP/CRP cut);
- Boozman amend #2355 (Agriculture research, law info);
- Boozman amend #2360 (TEFAP);
- Toomey amend #2226 (Energy title);
- Toomey amend #2433 (Sugar);
- Lee Motion to Recommit (FY 2008 levels);
- Johnson (WI) Motion to Recommit;
- Chambliss amend #2438 (Conservation crop insurance);
- Chambliss amend #2340 (Sugar);
- Chambliss amend #2432 (FMPP);
- Ayotte amend #2195 (GAO crop insurance fraud report);
- Blunt amend #2246 (Veterans);
- Moran amend #2403 (Food aid);
- Moran amend #2443 (Beginning farmers)
- Vitter amend #2363 (Pets);
- Toomey amend #2247 (Paperwork);
- Sanders amend #2310 (Genetically engineered food);
- Coburn amend #2214 (Convention funding);
- Boxer amend #2456 (Aerial inspections);
- Johanns amend #2372 (Aerial inspections);
- Murray amend # 2455(Sequestration);
- McCain amend #2162 (Sequestration report - DoD); and
- Rubio amend #2166 (RAISE Act).

That at 2:15pm, Tuesday, June 19th, the Senate proceed to votes in relation to the amendments in the order listed alternating between Republican and Democratic sponsored amendments; that there be no amendments or motions in order to the amendments prior to the votes other than motions to waive points of order and motions to table; that there be two minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form in between the votes and all after the first vote be ten minute votes; that the Toomey #2247; Sanders #2256; Coburn #2214; Boxer #2456; Johanns #2372; Murray #2455; McCain #2162 and the Rubio amendment #2166 be subject to a 60 affirmative vote threshold; that the clerks be authorized to modify the instruction lines on amendments so the page and line numbers match up correctly; that upon disposition of the amendments, the bill, as amended, be read a third time; that there be up to ten minutes equally divided in the usual form prior to a vote on passage of the bill, as amended, if amended; finally, the vote on passage of the bill be subject to a 60 affirmative vote threshold.

Sen. Stabenow received unanimous consent that at a time to be determined, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of **S.J. Res. 37 (Disapproving a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to the emissions standards for certain steam generating units)**. Further, there be up to four hours of debate on the motion to proceed with two hours of debate occurring on Tuesday, June 19, 2010 and the remaining two hours when the Senate resumes consideration at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, June 20, 2012. At 12:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Motion to Proceed to the resolution. If a motion is successful, the time for debate will be equally divided. Upon the use or yielding back the Resolution will be read a third time and the Senate will proceed to a vote on passage of the joint resolution.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader Time.

Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act).

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

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

S. 3240 (Farm Bill).

Under a previous order, the Motion to Recommit amend #2390 () is withdrawn.

Under a previous order, Stabenow amend #2389 (Substitute amendment) is agreed to, and the bill, as amended, be considered original text for the purposes of further amendment.

Akaka amend #2440 (Highly fractionated tribal lands). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Akaka amend #2396 (Tribal relations office). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Ayotte amend #2192 (Value added grants). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **38-61**.

Baucus amend #2429 (Livestock). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Snowe amend #2190 (Milk marketing order reform), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **66-33**.

Bingaman amend #2364 (Multi-state aquifers). The amendment is withdrawn.

Grassley amend #2167 (Pay cap marketing loans). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **75-24**.

Brown (OH) amend #2445 (Rural development). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **55-44**.

Sessions amend #2174 (SNAP). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **43-56**.

Cantwell amend #2370 (Pulse pilot). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **58-41**.

Nelson (NE) amend #2243 (SNAP). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Sessions amend #2172 (SNAP). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **41-58**.

Casey amend #2238 (Technical/study -federal milk marketing). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **73-26**.

Paul amend #2181 (\$250,000 income limit). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **15-84**.

Coons amend #2426 (Poultry insurance study). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Feinstein amend #2422 (Conservation innovation grants). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Alexander amend #2191 (Wind loans). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **33-66**.

McCain amend #2199 (Catfish). The amendment is agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Feinstein amend #2309 (Insurance recall). The amendment is agreed to by a vote of **76-23**.

Toomey amend #2217 (Organic/AMA). The amendment is not agreed to by a vote of **42-57**.

Gillibrand amend #2156 (SNAP) as modified. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **33-66**.

DeMint amend #2263 (Broadband funding). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 45-54.

Hagan amend #2366 (Crop insurance - plain language). The amendment is agreed to by Voice Vote.

DeMint amend #2262 (Sense of the Senate Free MKT). The amendment is agreed to by Voice Vote.

Kerry amend #2187 (Commercial fishermen). The amendment is agreed to by Voice Vote.

DeMint amend #2268 (Loan guarantees). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 14-84.

Landrieu amend #2321 (Rural development loans). The amendment is agreed to by Voice Vote.

DeMint amend #2276 (Checkoffs). The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 20-79.

S. 3314 (Intelligence Funds). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 and will proceed to the Motion to Proceed to S.J. Res. 37 (A joint resolution to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emission standards for certain steam generating units). At approximately 11:30 AM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Proceed to S.J. Res. 37. If the Motion to Proceed is agreed to, there will be up to ten hours for debate equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees, prior to a roll call vote on adoption of S.J. Res. 37. If the Motion to Proceed is not agreed to, the Senate will resume roll call votes relative to the S. 3240 (Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act).

The following amendments/motions are the only amendments/motions remaining in order to S. 3240:

- Manchin amend #2345 (Dietary study);
- DeMint amend #2273 (broadband in rural areas);
- Merkley amend #2382 (Organic crop insurance);
- Coburn amend #2289 (MAP);
- Schumer amend #2427 (ACER);
- Coburn amend #2293 (Limit millionaires);
- Stabenow amend #2453 (NAP);
- Kerry amend #2454 (North Korea);
- Kyl amend #2354 (North Korea);
- Udall (CO) amend #2295 (Bark beetle);
- Lee amend #2313 (Forest Legacy);
- Warner amend #2457 (Rural broadband);
- Lee amend #2314 (CSP/CRP cut);
- Wyden amend #2442 (Microloans);
- Boozman amend #2355 (Agriculture research, law info);
- Wyden amend #2388 (Farm to school);

- Boozman amend #2360 (TEFAP);
- Leahy amend #2204 (Rural development);
- Toomey amend #2226 (Energy title);
- Nelson (NE) amend #2242 (Rural housing);
- Toomey amend #2433 (sugar program);
- Klobuchar amend #2299 (Transportation study);
- Lee Motion to Recommit (FY 2008 levels);
- Carper amend #2287 (Poultry feed research);
- Johnson (WI) Motion to Recommit;
- Sanders amend #2254 (Biomass);
- Chambliss amend #2438 (Conservation crop insurance);
- Thune amend #2437 (Crop insurance);
- Durbin-Coburn amend #2439 (Crop insurance);
- Chambliss amend #2340 (Sugar);
- Chambliss amend #2432 (FMPP);
- Ayotte amend #2195 (GAO crop insurance fraud report);
- Blunt amend #2246 (Veterans);
- Moran amend #2403 (Food aid);
- Moran amend #2443 (Beginning farmers)
- Vitter amend #2363 (Pets);
- Bennet-Crapo amend #2202 (land easements);
- Toomey amend #2247 (Paperwork) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Sanders amend #2310 (Genetically engineered food) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Coburn amend #2214 (Convention funding) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Boxer side-by-side to Johanns amend #2372 (Aerial inspections) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Johanns amend #2372 (Aerial inspections) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Murray amend # 2455(Sequestration) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- McCain amend #2162 (Sequestration report - DoD) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Rubio amend #2166 (RAISE Act) – Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold;
- Final passage of S. 3240 (Farm Bill) as amended. Subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold.

The Senate adjourned at 9:48 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2012

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM. It is the Majority Leader's intent to return to the consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill). At 5:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #612 (Mary Geiger Lewis, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina), followed by a vote on the nomination at 5:30 PM.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #612 (Mary Geiger Lewis to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina).
The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 64-27.

Sen. Reid received unanimous consent that when the Senate resumes consideration of S.3240 (Farm Bill), the pending motion to recommit be withdrawn; that amendment #2390 be withdrawn; that the Stabenow-Roberts amendment #2389 be agreed to; the bill, as amended, be considered original text for the purposes of further amendment; that the following amendments and motions be the only first degree amendments and motions in order to the bill:

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- Casey amend #2238 (Technical/study -federal milk marketing)
- Coons amend #2426 (Poultry insurance study);
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- Gillibrand amend #2156 (SNAP);
- Hagan amend #2366 (Crop insurance - plain language);
- Kerry amend #2187 (Commercial fishermen);
- Landrieu amend #2321 (Rural development loans);
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- Stabenow amend #2453 (NAP);
- Udall (CO) amend #2295 (Bark beetle);
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- Wyden amend #2388 (Farm to school);
- Leahy amend #2204 (Rural development);
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- Toomey amend #2217 (Organic/AMA);
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- DeMint amend #2262 (Sense of the Senate Free MKT);
- DeMint amend #2268 (Loan guarantees);
- DeMint amend #2276 (Checkoffs);
- DeMint amend #2273 (Broadband);
- Coburn amend #2289 (MAP);
- Coburn amend #2293 (Limit Millionaires);
- Kerry amend #2454 (North Korea);
- Kyl amend #2354 (North Korea);
- Lee amend #2313 (Forest Legacy);
- Lee amend #2314 (CSP/CRP cut);
- Boozman amend #2355 (Agriculture research, law info);
- Boozman amend #2360 (TEFAP);
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- Lee Motion to Recommit (FY 2008 levels);
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- Chambliss amend #2438 (Conservation crop insurance);
- Chambliss amend #2340 (Sugar);
- Chambliss amend #2432 (FMPP);
- Ayotte amend #2195 (GAO crop insurance fraud report);
- Blunt amend #2246 (Veterans);
- Moran amend #2403 (Food aid);
- Moran amend #2443 (Beginning farmers)
- Vitter amend #2363 (Pets);
- Toomey amend #2247 (Paperwork);
- Sanders amend #2310 (Genetically engineered food);

- Coburn amend #2214 (Convention funding);
- Boxer amend #2456 (Aerial inspections);
- Johanns amend #2372 (Aerial inspections);
- Murray amend # 2455(Sequestration);
- McCain amend #2162 (Sequestration report - DoD); and
- Rubio amend #2166 (RAISE Act).

That at 2:15pm, Tuesday, June 19th, the Senate proceed to votes in relation to the amendments in the order listed alternating between Republican and Democratic sponsored amendments; that there be no amendments or motions in order to the amendments prior to the votes other than motions to waive points of order and motions to table; that there be two minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form in between the votes and all after the first vote be ten minute votes; that the Toomey #2247; Sanders #2256; Coburn #2214; Boxer #2456; Johanns #2372; Murray #2455; McCain #2162 and the Rubio amendment #2166 be subject to a 60 affirmative vote threshold; that the clerks be authorized to modify the instruction lines on amendments so the page and line numbers match up correctly; that upon disposition of the amendments, the bill, as amended, be read a third time; that there be up to ten minutes equally divided in the usual form prior to a vote on passage of the bill, as amended, if amended; finally, the vote on passage of the bill be subject to a 60 affirmative vote threshold.

Sen. Stabenow received unanimous consent that at a time to be determined, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of **S J Res. 37 (Disapproving a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to the emissions standards for certain steam generating units)**. Further, there be up to four hours of debate on the motion to proceed with two hours of debate occurring on Tuesday, June 19, 2010 and the remaining two hours when the Senate resumes consideration at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, June 20, 2012. At 12:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Motion to Proceed to the resolution. If a motion is successful, the time for debate will be equally divided. Upon the use or yielding back the Resolution will be read a third time and the Senate will proceed to a vote on passage of the joint resolution.

S. Res. 470 (Designating July 28, 2012 as “National Day of the Cowboy”). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 495 (Designating the period from June 17 – June 23, 2012 as “Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week”). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 19, 2012. There will be two hours of Leader time. The Senate will recess from 12:30 – 2:15 PM for Party caucuses. At 2:15 PM, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill) under the provisions of the above unanimous consent agreement. Upon conclusion of S. 3240, the Senate will proceed to two hours of debate on the Motion to Proceed to S. J. Res. 37 (Disapproving a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emissions standards for certain steam generating units). Votes will begin at 2:15 PM.

The Senate adjourned at 9:05 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2012

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business for one hour. It is the Majority Leader's intent to return to the consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill). Votes are possible, but are unscheduled.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #501 (Mari Aponte to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador). Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The cloture motion was invoked by a vote of 62-37. All post-cloture time is yielded back by Unanimous Consent. The nomination is confirmed by **Voice Vote.**

The Senate proceeded with a period of Morning Business.

H. Con. Res. 128 (Authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor's Center for a Medal Ceremony honoring Marines). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, June 18, 2012. It is the Majority Leader's intent to return to the consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill). At 5:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #612 (Mary Geiger Lewis, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina), followed by a vote on the nomination at 5:30 PM.

The Senate adjourned at 6:07 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2012

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 and will resume consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill). There will be two roll call votes tomorrow at a time to be determined.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 1940, (Amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968).
Withdrawn by Sen. Reid**

S. 3240 (Farm Bill).

Reid 2nd amend #2393 (To phase out the Federal sugar program) to Reid amend #2392 (To empower States with programmatic flexibility and predictability to administer a supplemental nutrition assistance block grant program under which, at the request of a State agency, eligible households within the State may receive an adequate, or more nutritious, diet). Motion to Table the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table was agreed to by a vote of **50-46**.

Reid amend #2392 (To empower States with programmatic flexibility and predictability to administer a supplemental nutrition assistance block grant program under which, at the request of a State agency, eligible households within the State may receive an adequate, or more nutritious, diet). Motion to Table the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table was agreed to by a vote of **65-33**.

Reid unanimous consent that the pending motion to recommit be withdrawn, amendment #2390 be withdrawn, Stabenow-Roberts amend #2389 be agreed to, the bill as amended to be considered original text for the purpose of further amendments, and that Senate debate the following amendments for 60 minutes, followed by votes on the amendments in the order listed: Coburn amend #2353, Hagan amend #2366, Tester amend #2385, and McCaskill 2222. **Coburn objected.**

Reid amend #2406 (to eliminate certain working lands conservation programs) to the Instructions on the Motion to Recommit S. 3240. Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid 2nd degree amend #2407 (to convert all mandatory spending discretionary spending subject to annual appropriations) to Reid amend #2406 (to eliminate certain working lands conservation programs).

Motion to Proceed to S. 1940, (Amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968).

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, June 14, 2012 and will proceed with a period of Morning Business for one hour. It is the Majority Leader's intent to return to the consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill). Votes are possible, but are unscheduled.

The Senate adjourned at 7:05 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2012

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 and will be in a period of Morning Business. The Senate will recess from 12:30 PM to 2:15 PM for the Senate party caucus lunches. It was announced that the Senate will likely yield back the remaining post-cloture time on the Andrew Hurwitz nomination and will proceed to a vote on confirmation at a time to be announced.

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

H.R. 436 (Repeal the Excise Tax on Medical Devices). The bill was read for the second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #607 (Andrew Hurwitz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit).

McCain unanimous consent request that the Senate proceed to a resolution relating to the recent Intelligence leaks which would require the appointment of a special counsel, and that the resolution to be agreed to. Wyden objected.

Cal. #607 (Andrew Hurwitz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit).

The Senate recessed at 12:30 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate reconvened at 2:15 PM.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #607 (Andrew Hurwitz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit). All post-cloture time is yielded back by Unanimous Consent. The nomination is confirmed by **Voice Vote**.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Farm Bill). The Motion to Proceed is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 3240 (Farm Bill).

Stabenow amend #2389 (Committee substitute amendment). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid 2nd degree amend #2390 () to Stabenow amend #2389 (Committee substitute amendment).

Reid Motion to Recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture with instructions to report back with amend #2391. Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid amend #2392 () to the instructions to the Motion to Recommit amend # 2391 (). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid 2nd degree amend #2393 (To phase out the Federal sugar program) to Reid amend #2392 ().

Motion to Proceed to S. 1940 (Amends the National Flood Insurance Act).

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 491 (Commending the participants of the 44th annual International Chemistry Olympiad and recognizing the importance of education in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics to the future of the United States). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 492 (World Elder Abuse Awareness Day). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 and will resume consideration of S. 3240 (Farm Bill). There will be two roll call votes tomorrow at a time to be determined.

The Senate adjourned at 7:22 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2012

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 11, 2012 and will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Farm Bill). At 4:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #607 (Andrew Hurwitz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit). The Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination at 5:30 PM.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Farm Bill).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #607 (Andrew Hurwitz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit). Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 60-31.

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

H.R. 436 (Repeal the Excise Tax on Medical Devices). The bill was read for the first time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 and will be in a period of Morning Business. The Senate will recess from 12:30 PM to 2:15 PM for the Senate party caucus lunches. It was announced that the Senate will likely yield back the remaining post-cloture time on the Andrew Hurwitz nomination and will proceed to a vote on confirmation at a time to be announced.

The Senate adjourned at 7:11 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2012

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with a Legislative Session. There will be one hour of debate on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Farm Bill), followed by a vote on the Motion.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The following bills were considered en bloc:

S. 3268 (A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots).

S. 3269 (A bill to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed).

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

Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Farm Bill). Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed is agreed to by a vote of 90-8.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #607 (Andrew Hurwitz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit). Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. 3261 (A bill to allow the Chief of the Forest Service to award certain contracts for large air tankers). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H.R. 5883 (To make a technical correction in Public Law 112-108). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H.R. 5890 (To correct a technical error in Public Law 112-122). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 476 (A resolution honoring the contributions of the late Fang Lizhi to the people of China and the cause of freedom). The resolution is passed by Voice Vote.

S. Res. 488 (Commending the efforts of the firefighters and emergency response personnel of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Connecticut who came together to extinguish the May 23, 2012 fire at Fort Smith Naval Shipyard in Maine). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 11, 2012 and will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Farm Bill). At 4:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #607 (Andrew Hurwitz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit). The Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination at 5:30 PM.

The Senate adjourned at 5:22 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2012

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business. It is the Majority Leader's intention to resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act of 2012) during today's session of the Senate.

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

At 4:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to consider the following nomination:

Cal. #610 (Jeffrey J. Helmick, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio).

There will be 90 minutes of debate followed by a vote on the nomination at 5:30 PM.

Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act of 2012).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #610 (Jeffrey J. Helmick, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio). The yeas and nays were ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 62-36.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 484 (Designating June 7, 2012 as "National Hunger Awareness Day"). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 485 (Authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of Common Cause, et. Al. v. Joseph R. Biden, et al Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The following bills were considered En Bloc:

S. 3268 (A bill to amend title 49 United States code to provide rights for pilots). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to.

S. 3269 (A bill to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Doctor Shakil Afridi is freed). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to.

The senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, June 7, 2012 and will proceed with a Legislative Session. There will be one hour of debate on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Farm Bill), followed by a vote on the motion.

The Senate adjourned at 6:45 PM

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2012

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. It is the Majority Leader's intention to proceed to the Motion to Proceed to S. 3220 (Paycheck Fairness Act). The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches. At 2:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to a cloture vote on the Motion to Proceed to S. 3220 (Paycheck Fairness Act).

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 3220 (Paycheck Fairness Act).

The Senate recessed at 12:37 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate reconvened at 2:15 PM.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 3220 (Paycheck Fairness Act). Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was not agreed to by a vote of **52-47**.

Reid withdrew the Motion to Proceed to S. 3220 (Paycheck Fairness Act).

Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act of 2012).

Reid filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act of 2012).

S. 2061 (Exchange of land between South Carolina and the Department of Homeland Security). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 481 (Celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the Philippines-U.S. Defense Treaty). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Con. Res. 45 (Authorizing use of Emancipation Hall for a Marine Gold Medal Ceremony). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, June 6, 2012 and will be in a period of Morning Business. It is the Majority Leader's intention to resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 3240 (Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act of 2012) during tomorrow's session of the Senate.

The Senate adjourned at 6:04 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2012

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. At 5:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to a Legislative Session to consider Cal. #613 (Timothy Hillman to be U. S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts). There will be 30 minutes of debate on the nomination followed by a vote on confirmation. It is Sen. Reid's intention to resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 3220 (Paycheck Fairness Act) upon conclusion of the nomination vote.

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

S. J. Res. 41 (Expressing sense of Congress on the Nuclear Program in the Republic of Iran). The joint resolution was read for the first time. Further consideration of the joint resolution was objected to.

Motion to Proceed to S. 3220 (Paycheck Fairness Act).

The Senate proceeded with an Executive Session.

Cal. #613 (Timothy Hillman to be U. S. District Judge for the District of Massachusetts). Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **88-1**.

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 5, 2012 and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:30 PM. The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches. At 2:15 PM, the Senate will proceed to a cloture vote on the Motion to Proceed to S. 3220 (Paycheck Fairness Act).

The Senate adjourned at 7:07 PM.