

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2008

The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM for a pro forma session only. The Senate will then convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 2, 2008 and proceed with morning business for 1 hour. The Senate will then proceed to the consideration of the motion to proceed to S. 2026 (Climate Security Act). The Senate will proceed to a vote on the cloture motion to the motion to proceed to the bill at 5:30 PM.

The Senate convened at 9:00 AM for a Pro Forma Session only. It will reconvene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 2, 2008 and proceed with morning business for 1 hour. The Senate will then proceed to the consideration of the motion to proceed to S. 2026 (Climate Security Act). The Senate will proceed to a vote on the cloture motion to the motion to proceed to the bill at 5:30 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2008

The Senate will convene 9:15 AM for a pro forma session only. The Senate will then convene at 9:00 AM on Thursday May 29, 2008 for a pro forma session only. The Senate will then convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 2, 2008 and proceed with morning business for 1 hour. The Senate will then proceed to the consideration of the motion to proceed to S. 2026 (Climate Security Act). The Senate will proceed to a vote on the cloture motion to the motion to proceed to the bill at 5:30 PM.

The Senate convened at 9:15 AM for a Pro Forma Session only. It will reconvene at 9:00 AM on Thursday, May 29, 2008.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2008

The Senate will convene 10:00 AM for a pro forma session only. The Senate will then convene at 9:15 AM on Tuesday May 27, 2008 for a pro forma session only. The Senate will then convene at 9:00 AM on Thursday May 29, 2008 for a pro forma session only. The Senate will then convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, June 2, 2008 and proceed with morning business for 1 hour. The Senate will then proceed to the consideration of the motion to proceed to S. 2026 (Climate Security Act). The Senate will proceed to a vote on the cloture motion to the motion to proceed to the bill at 5:30 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY , MAY 22, 2008

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will immediately resume consideration of the message from the House to accompany H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental) for two hours of debate. At 11:30 AM, the cloture motion with respect to the Reid motion to concur on House amendment number 2 with an amendment will be withdrawn and the Reid second-degree amendment will be withdrawn. The Senate will then proceed to vote on adoption of the pending Reid motion to concur on House amendment number 2, with an amendment. The motion to concur will be subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. If the motion to concur fails to achieve 60 votes, it will be withdrawn and Senator Reid will be recognized to move to concur with the House amendment number 2 with an amendment (Senator Webb G.I. bill). The motion to concur will be subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. If the motion to concur fails to achieve 60 votes, it will be withdrawn and Senator Reid will be recognized to move to concur with the House amendment number 1 with an amendment which is the text of the committee-reported amendments number 2 and 3 on funding and Iraq policy. The motion to concur will be subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. If the motion to concur fails to achieve 60 votes, it will be withdrawn and the Senate will agree to House amendment number 2 by unanimous consent. Senator Sanders will then be recognized to make a rule 16 point of order against section 11-312 of the Reid motion. If the point of order is sustained, Senator Reid will be recognized to move to concur on House number 1, with an amendment, which is the text of the committee amendments 2 and 3 minus section 11-312. It will be subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold. If it fails to achieve the 60-vote threshold, it will be withdrawn and Senator Reid will be recognized to move to concur on House amendment number 1 with an amendment which is the text of committee amendment number 2 minus section 11-312. The motion to concur will be subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. If the motion to concur fails to achieve 60 votes, it will be withdrawn.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Message from the House to accompany H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental).

The Senate received a message from the House regarding the Presidential veto of H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

Message from the House to accompany H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental).

Reid motion to concur on House amendment number 2 with an amendment #4803 (). The cloture motion is withdrawn.

Reid 2nd degree amendment #4804 () to Reid motion to concur on House amendment number 2 with an amendment #4803 (). Withdrawn.

Reid motion to concur on House amendment number 2 with an amendment #4803 (In nature of a substitute, GI Bill). Yeas and nays ordered. Under a previous order, the motion is subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. The motion to concur is agreed to by a vote of 75-22.

Reid motion to concur with the House amendment number 1 with an amendment #4816 (). Sanders point of order against section 11-312 of the Reid motion. The point of order is sustained and the amendment falls.

Reid motion to concur with the House amendment number 1 with an amendment #4817 (Deployment restrictions). Yeas and nays ordered. Under a previous order, the motion is subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. The motion to concur is not agreed to by a vote of 34-63. Under a previous order, the motion is withdrawn.

Reid motion to concur with the House amendment number 1 with an amendment #4818 (Iraq funding). Yeas and nays ordered. Under a previous order, the motion is subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. The motion to concur is agreed to by a vote of 70-26.

Passage of the Conference Report on H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill), notwithstanding the President's Veto. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill on reconsideration passed by a vote 82-13 with one Senator voting present, the objections of the President of the United States to the contrary notwithstanding.

The Senate proceeded with a period of morning business.

H. R. 6081 (Heroes Earning Assistance and Tax Relief Act). Agreed to by voice vote.

Sen. Reid motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 3036 (Climate Security Act) on Monday, June 2, 2008 was objected to.

Sen. Reid made a motion to proceed to S. 3036 (Climate Security Act) and filed cloture on the motion to proceed. The vote will occur at 5:30 PM on Monday, June 2, 2008. Sen. Reid withdrew the motion to proceed to the bill.

S. 1965 (Protect children from cyber crime). The bill was agreed to, as amended.

S. 2062 (Amend the Native American Housing Act of 1996 and reauthorize it). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. 2420 (Encourage the donation of excess food to nonprofit organizations). Agreed to by voice vote, as amended.

S. 563 (Designating September 13 as "National Childhood Cancer Awareness Day"). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 567 (Designation June 2008 as “National Internet Safety Month”). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 577 (Sense of the Senate regarding the use of gasoline fuels). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 578 (Recognizing the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Congressional Club). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 579 (Designation the week May 26, 2008 as “National Hurricane Preparedness Week”). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Con. Res. 85 (Authorizing the use of the U. S. Capitol Rotunda to honor Frank W. Buckles). Agreed to by voice vote.

H. Con. Res. 355 (Providing for conditional adjournment of the House and conditional adjournment of the Senate). Agreed to by voice vote.

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The Senate adjourned at 7:50 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2008

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. The time from 11:00 AM-12:00 PM will be reserved for Senators to make tributes to former President Lyndon B. Johnson. Following the Senate will resume the consideration of the message from the House to accompany H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental).

S. 3036 (Decrease Emissions of Greenhouse Gasses). The bill was read form a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

S. 3034 (Energy Price Relief). The bill was read form a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

The Senate proceeded to a period of morning business.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will immediately resume consideration of the message from the House to accompany H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental) for two hours of debate equally divided. At 11:30 AM the cloture motion with respect to the Reid motion to concur on House amendment number 2 with an amendment be withdrawn and the Reid second-degree amendment be withdrawn. The Senate will then proceed to vote on adoption of the pending Reid motion to concur on House amendment number 2, with an amendment. The motion to concur will be subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. If the motion to concur fails to achieve 60 votes, it will be withdrawn and Senator Reid will be recognized to move to concur with the House amendment number 2 with an amendment which is the Senator Webb G.I. bill. The motion to concur will be subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. If the motion to concur fails to achieve 60 votes, it will be withdrawn and Senator Reid will be recognized to move to concur with the House amendment number 1 with an amendment that which is the text of the committee-reported amendments number 2 and 3 on funding and Iraq policy. The motion to concur will be subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. If the motion to concur fails to achieve 60 votes, it will be withdrawn and the Senate will agree to House amendment number 2 by unanimous consent. Senator Sanders will then be recognized to make a rule 16 point of order against section 11-312 of the Reid motion. If the point of order is sustained, Senator Reid be recognized to move to concur on House number 1, with an amendment, which is the text of the committee amendments 2 and 3 minus section 11-312. It will be subject to a 60-vote affirmative threshold. If it fails to achieve the 60-vote threshold, it will be withdrawn and Senator Reid will be recognized to move to concur on House amendment number 1 with an amendment which is the text of committee amendment number 2 minus section 11-312. The motion to concur will be subject to an affirmative 60-vote threshold. If the motion to concur fails to achieve 60 votes, it will be withdrawn.

The Senate adjourned at 9:40 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2008

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in morning business for two hours. At 12 Noon, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider the following nominations: Cal. #537 (Michael G. McGinn of Minnesota to be a US Marshall), Cal. #538 (Ralph E. Martinez to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the U.S.) and Cal. #574 (Steven Agee to be a US Circuit Judge in Virginia). The Senate will recess from 12:30 PM to 2:15 PM for the party lunches. At 2:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Agee nomination. Under a previous unanimous consent, following the vote on the Agee nomination, the McGinn and Martinez nominations will be agreed to by voice vote. The Senate will then proceed to the House Message to accompany H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental).

S. 3035 (Higher Education Act). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #537 (Michael McGinn to be U.S. Marshal for the District of Minnesota). Laid aside.

Cal. #538 (Ralph Martinez to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States). Laid aside.

Cal. #574 (Steven Agee to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit). Laid aside.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

H.R. 4008 (Fair Credit Reporting Act). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

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

The Senate convened at 2:15 PM.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #574 (Steven Agee to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit). Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 96-0.

Cal. #537 (Michael McGinn to be U.S. Marshal for the District of Minnesota). Confirmed by voice vote.

Cal. #538 (Ralph Martinez to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States). Confirmed by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 482 (National Day of the American Cowboy). Agreed to by UC.

Message from the House to accompany H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental).

Reid motion to concur with the House amend #2 with amend #4789 (). Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid 2nd degree amend #4790 () to amend #4789 (Substitute amendment).

Menendez point of order that Title 8 in its entirety, Section 10,004 and 10,005 violates a rule with a House amendment with an amendment. The motion is sustained. The motion to concur falls.

Reid motion to concur in the House amend #2 to the Senate amend #4803. Yeas and nays ordered.

Reid 2nd degree amend #4804 () to Reid amend #4803 ().

Reid motion to invoke cloture on the motion to concur with the House amend #2 to H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental), with amend #4803.

The Senate proceeded to a period of morning business.

H.R. 2517 (Amends the Missing Children's Assistance Act). Agreed to by UC.

S. 431 (Requires convicted sex offenders to register online).

Schumer amend #4798 (Perfecting amendment). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 431 (Requires convicted sex offenders to register online). Agreed to by UC.

S. Res. 571 (Recognizes the 100th birthday of Former President Lyndon B. Johnson). Agreed to by UC.

H. Con. Res. 354 (100th birthday of Lyndon B. Johnson). Agreed to by UC.

S. Con. Res. 79 (Congratulating FOCUS). Agreed to by UC.

The following bills were considered en bloc:

S. 3036 (Directs the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a program to decrease emissions of greenhouse gases).

S. 3044 (To provide energy price relief).

First reading en bloc. Second reading objected to en bloc. The bills will be placed on the calendar.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, May 21, 2008 and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. The time from 11:00 AM-12:00 PM will be reserved for Senators to make tributes to former President Lyndon B. Johnson. Following the Senate will resume the consideration of the message from the House to accompany H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental).

The Senate adjourned at 8:08 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, MAY 19, 2008

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, May 19, 2008 and will proceed to a period of morning business. There will be no roll call votes on Monday.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a period of morning business.

S. Res. 569 (Earthquake in China). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 570 (Honoring Albania and Croatia). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, May 20 and will be in morning business for two hours. At 12 Noon, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider the following nominations: Cal. #537 (Michael G. McGinn of Minnesota to be a US Marshall), Cal. #538 (Ralph E. Martinez to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the U.S.) and Cal. #574 (Steven Agee to be a US Circuit Judge in Virginia). The Senate will recess from 12:30 PM to 2:15 PM for the party lunches. At 2:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Agee nomination. Under a previous unanimous consent, following the vote on the Agee nomination, the McGinn and Martinez nominations will be agreed to by voice vote. The Senate will then proceed to the House Message to accompany H.R. 2642 (Iraq War Supplemental).

The Senate adjourned at 6:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2008

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will immediately resume consideration of the Conference Report to Accompany H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill) for 90 minutes of debate followed by votes on motions and final adoption. Votes could begin as early as 11:00 AM. The Senate will then proceed to the consideration of the Budget Resolution. There are 10 hours of debate followed by a vote on final adoption.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Conference Report to Accompany H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

McCaskill point of order that the Farm Bill Conference Report violates Section 203 of S. Con. Res. 201 against the Conference Report. Harkin motion to waive Paragraph 8 with respect to all provisions of the Conference Report. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to waive was agreed to by a vote of 74-19.

Motion to waive Paragraph 8 of Rule 44 against the Conference Report. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to waive was agreed to by a vote of 62-34.

Conference Report to Accompany H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill). Adoption of the Conference Report. Yeas and nays ordered. The Conference Report to Accompany H.R. 2419 (Farm Bill) was adopted by a vote of 81-15.

The Senate proceeded to a period of morning business.

Conference Report S. Con. Res. 70 (Budget Resolution).

Motion by Senator Gregg to instruct Senate conferees to reject the revenue levels in both the Senate-passed and the House-passed Budget Resolutions. Laid aside.

Motion by Senator Kyl to instruct Senate conferees to reject the House amendment that assumes \$110 billion in tax increases. Laid aside.

Motion by Senator DeMint to instruct conferees on the part of the Senate to insist that if the final conference report includes the deficit neutral reserve fund to invest in clean energy, that there is an additional requirement for new mandates on greenhouse gas emissions. Laid aside.

Motion by Senator Boxer to instruct the conferees that no legislation providing for new mandates on greenhouse emissions should be enacted until it effectively addresses imports from China, India and other nations that have no similar emissions program. Laid aside.

Senator Conrad unanimous consent request that the following motions to instruct the conferees be the only motions in order:

Conrad and Kyl Motion to Instruct Conferees with 60 minutes equally divided.

A Democratic Energy nuclear reserve fund amendment and a Republican nuclear energy reserve fund amendment, with 30 minutes equally divided.

A Democratic O.C.S. amendment and a Vitter O.C.S. amendment with 30 minutes equally divided.

A Boxer China-India amendment and the DeMint China-India amendment with 30 minutes equally divided

Gregg amendment (\$1 trillion cap on discretionary spending) with 30 minutes equally divided.

Conrad unanimous consent request that the points of order be waived; that upon the use of debate time in each motion it be set aside; and the motions be voted in the order listed. The vote time limited to 10 minutes each. That the Senate proceed to each motion, there be 60 minutes of equal debate time available to the Chair. The unanimous consent request was agreed to by voice vote.

Motion by Senator Gregg to instruct the conferees that there be a \$1 trillion cap on discretionary spending. Laid aside.

Motion by Senator Graham to instruct conferees to include a nuclear energy reserve fund. Laid aside.

Motion by Senator Vitter to instruct conferees to reserve funds for Outer Continental Shelf Energy Exploration. Laid aside.

Motion by Senator Conrad to instruct conferees to insist that revenue levels include the cost of providing relief from the AMT, that the Senate provide for the extension of expiring and expired tax relief and that every effort should be made to offset the cost of these policies by closing the tax gap. Laid aside.

Motion by Senator Gregg to instruct conferees to insist on the inclusion in the final conference report the point of order against the consideration of a budget resolution in the Senate that does not contain a section regarding gross federal debt disclosure. Laid aside.

Motion by Senator Gregg to instruct conferees to insist that the final conference report include the individual points of order that empowers the Senate to prevent future budget resolutions from raiding Social Security. Laid aside.

Motion by Senator Gregg to instruct conferees to insist on the inclusion in the final conference report the point of order against the consideration of a budget resolution in the Senate that does not contain a section regarding gross federal debt disclosure. Agreed to by voice vote.

Motion by Senator Gregg to instruct conferees to insist that the final conference report include the individual points of order that empowers the Senate to prevent future budget resolutions from raiding Social Security. Adopted by Unanimous Consent.

Motion by Senator Gregg to instruct Senate conferees to reject the revenue levels in both the Senate-passed and the House-passed Budget Resolutions. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion was not agreed to by a vote of 44-51.

Motion by Senator Conrad to instruct conferees to insist that revenue levels include the cost of providing relief from the AMT, that the Senate provide for the extension of expiring and expired tax relief and that every effort should be made to offset the cost of these policies by closing the tax gap. Agreed to by voice vote.

Motion by Senator Kyl to instruct Senate conferees to reject the House amendment that assumes \$110 billion in tax increases. Agreed to by voice vote.

Motion by Senator Graham to instruct conferees to include a nuclear energy reserve fund. Agreed to by voice vote.

Motion by Senator Boxer to instruct the conferees that no legislation providing for new mandates on greenhouse emissions should be enacted until it effectively addresses imports from China, India and other nations that have no similar emissions program. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion is agreed to by a vote of 54-41.

Motion by Senator DeMint to instruct conferees on the part of the Senate to insist that if the final conference report includes the deficit neutral reserve fund to invest in clean energy, that there is an additional requirement for new mandates on greenhouse gas emissions. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion was not agreed to by a vote of 34-61.

Motion by Senator Vitter to instruct conferees to reserve funds for Outer Continental Shelf Energy Exploration. The motion was not agreed to by a vote of 44-51.

Motion by Senator Gregg to instruct the conferees that there be a \$1 trillion cap on discretionary spending. The motion was not agreed to by a vote of 47-48.

Under a previous UC order, the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Conrad, Murray, Widen, Domenici and Gregg.

Reid asked the cloture motion with respect to H.R. 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act) be withdrawn. Agreed to by UC.

S. J. Res. 28 (Broadcast Media Ownership). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 568 (100th Anniversary of the National Governors Association). Agreed to by UC.

H.R. 2356 (Encourages the display of the U.S. Flag on Father's Day). Agreed to by UC.

S. 3029 (Provides for a temporary extension for programs under the Small Business Act).
Agreed to by UC.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, May 19, 2008 and will proceed to a period of morning business. There will be no roll call votes on Monday.

The Senate adjourned at 8:30 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2008

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in morning business for one hour. At 10:30 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act).

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

S. J. Res. 32 (Regarding the issuance of a letter of offer with respect to a certain proposed sale of defense articles and defense services to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia). The second reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration of the resolution was objected to and it was placed on the Senate Calendar.

H. R. 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act).

Graham amend #4763 (Improve educational assistance for members of the Armed Forces and veterans in order to enhance recruitment and retention for the Armed Forces). Sen. Graham filed a cloture motion on the amendment. Laid aside.

McConnell 2nd degree amend #4764 (Improve educational assistance for members of the armed forces and veterans) to Graham amend #4763 (Improve educational assistance for members of the Armed Forces and veterans in order to enhance recruitment and retention for the Armed Forces). Laid aside.

Graham amend #4763 (Improve educational assistance for members of the Armed Forces and veterans in order to enhance recruitment and retention for the Armed Forces). Sen. Reid motion to table the amendment was agreed to by a vote of 55-42.

Reid Motion to Invoke Cloture on Greg amend #4751 (Substitute language) to H. R. 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee cooperation Act).

Reid Motion to invoke cloture on Hr 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act).

Reid motion to proceed to the Conference Report to accompany H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill), with 5 hours of debate. Further, there will be 90 minutes of debate on the conference report during tomorrow's session, followed by votes on all motions and a vote on adoption of the Conference Report. The Senator's motion was agreed to.

Conference Report to Accompany H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill).

Sen. Gregg raised a point of order against the Conference Report to Accompany H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill). Sen. Conrad motion to waive the Budget Act (section 203,

S.Con.Res.21, 110th Congress). A vote on the motion to waive is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 15, 2008.

H. R. 6051 (Provide for a temporary extension of programs authorized by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002). Agreed to by voice vote.

H. R. 6022 (Suspend the acquisition of petroleum for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 565 (Designating May 15, 2008 as "Military Kids Day"). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 566 (Designating June 2008 as "National Aphasia Awareness Month"). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, May 15, 2008. The Senate will immediately resume consideration of the Conference Report to Accompany H. R. 2419 (Farm Bill) for 90 minutes of debate followed by votes on motions and final adoption. Votes could begin as early as 11:00 AM. The Senate will then proceed to the consideration of the Budget Resolution. There are 10 hours of debate followed by a vote on final adoption.

The Senate adjourned at 10:45 AM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will resume consideration of S. 2284 (Flood Insurance Act). A series of four roll call votes are expected to begin shortly after 11:00 AM. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party luncheons.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. 2284 (Flood Insurance Act).

Reid amend #4737 (To increase the supply and lower the cost of petroleum by temporarily suspending the acquisition of petroleum for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve). Laid aside.

McConnell amend #4720 (American Energy Production Act). Under a previous UC agreement, the amendment must receive 60 votes to be agreed to. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of **42-56**. Under the previous agreement, the amendment is **withdrawn**.

Reid amend #4737 (To increase the supply and lower the cost of petroleum by temporarily suspending the acquisition of petroleum for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve). Yeas and nays ordered. Under a previous UC agreement, the amendment must receive 60 votes to be agreed to. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **97-1**

S. 2284 (Flood Insurance Act). The substitute amendment was agreed to and the bill was read for a third time. **H.R. 3121 (Flood Insurance Act)**. The enacting clause was stricken and the text of S. 2284 as amended was inserted. The bill was read for a third time.

H.R. 3121 (Flood Insurance Act). Yeas and nays ordered. The bill, as amended, passed by a vote of **92-6**.

Motion to proceed to H.R. 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act). Motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed. The motion was agreed to by a vote of **69-29**. Under a previous agreement the Motion to Proceed is agreed to.

H.R. 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act).

Gregg amend #4751 (Substitute amendment). Laid aside.

The Senate recessed at 12:40 PM for weekly party luncheons.

The Senate convened at 2:15 PM.

H.R. 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act).

Hatch amend #4755 (to provide for a public safety officer bill of rights). Laid aside.

Alexander amend #4760 (To guarantee public safety and local control of taxes and spending). Laid aside.

Leahy amend #4759 (to reauthorize the bulletproof vest partnership grant and provide a waiver for hardship for the matching grant program for law enforcement armor vests).

Corker amend #4761 (to permit States to pass laws to exempt such States from the provisions of the Act). Laid aside.

S. Res. 561 (North American Aerospace Command). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 562 (Police Survivors). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. J. Res. 32 (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Defense Issues). 1st reading.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, May 14 and will be in morning business for one hour. At 10:30 AM, the Senate will resume consideration of **H.R. 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act)**.

The Senate adjourned at 6:40 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, MAY 12, 2008

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business with the time equally divided until 5:30 PM. There will be no roll call votes on Monday. There will be a series of votes to begin as early as 11:30 AM on Tuesday, May 13, 2008.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a period of morning business.

S. Res. 558 (National Hunger Awareness Day). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 559 (National MPS Awareness Day). Agreed to by UC.

S. Res. 560 (National Public Works Week). Agreed to by UC.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 and will resume consideration of S. 2284 (Flood Insurance Act). A series of four roll call votes are expected to begin shortly after 11:00 AM. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party luncheons.

The Senate adjourned at 8:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2008

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 2284 (Flood Insurance).

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

S. 2991 (Energy Price Relief). Second reading. Third reading is objected to and the bill is placed on the calendar.

S. 2284 (Flood Insurance).

Coburn amend #4716 (To require persons located in flood prone areas to hold flood insurance as a condition for receiving federal disaster assistance). The amendment is withdrawn by Sen. Coburn.

Dodd amend #4707 (Substitute amendment). Coburn point of order that the Substitute amendment violates Section 201 of S. Con. Res. 201. Dodd motion to waive point of order for the applicable sections of that act for the consideration of the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to waive was agreed to by a vote of 70-26.

Ensign amend #4734 (provide compensation to the citizens of Fernley, Nevada damaged by the failure of the Truckee Canal). Laid aside.

Durbin amend #4715 (Provide that no changes in flood insurance status for any areas located in the St. Louis District of the Corps of Engineers can go into effect until the remapping process is completed for that entire District), as modified. Laid aside.

DeMint amend #4707 (To end the premium subsidy for any property purchased after the date of enactment of this Act (#4710, as modified). Withdrawn.

Ensign amend #4734 (provide compensation to the citizens of Fernley, Nevada damaged by the failure of the Truckee Canal). Withdrawn.

Dodd unanimous consent request that the votes on McConnell amend #4720 (energy policy) to S. 2284 (Flood Insurance), final passage of S. 2284 (Flood Insurance), the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 980 (Public Safety Cooperation Act) and S. 2991 (Energy Price Relief) occur on Tuesday, May 13. Without objection.

The following Manager's Amendment was agreed to by voice vote:

McCaskill amend #4727 (to impose a civil penalty for noncompliance with certain reporting requirements).

McCaskill amend # 4728 (require clear and comprehensible disclosure of conditions, exclusions and other limitations pertaining to flood insurance coverage).

Dole amend #4730 (To provide 2 additional members to the Technical Mapping Advisory Council).

Dodd amend #4736 (ensure that the purchase of flood insurance in areas of residual risk accurately reflects the level of flood protection).

Coburn amend #4724 (to study alternative approaches to ensure the future of the National Flood Insurance Program).

Thune amend #4735 (modify the project for flood control in South Dakota).

Menendez amend #4733 (enhance FEMA communications).

Durbin amend #4715 (Provide that no changes in flood insurance status for any areas located in the St. Louis District of the Corps of Engineers can go into effect until the remapping process is completed for that entire District), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to **68-24**.

The Senate proceeded with a period of morning business.

S. Res. 537 (Commemorating the sacrifice of those who lost their lives as law enforcement officers). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 556 (Congratulating charter schools for their ongoing contributions). Agreed to by voice vote.

Executive Session:

William J. Burns to be an Undersecretary of State. Confirmed by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, May 12, 2008. The Senate will proceed with a period of Morning Business with the time equally divided until 5:30 PM. There will be no roll call votes on Monday. There will be a series of votes to begin as early as 11:30 AM on Tuesday, May 13, 2008

The Senate adjourned at 5:43 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2008

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business for one hour. The Senate will then resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 2284 (Flood Insurance). The Senate will recess from 12:30 – 2:15 for party caucuses.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2284 (Flood Insurance). Sen. Dodd motion to agree to the motion to proceed to the bill was agreed to by voice vote.

S. 2284 (Flood Insurance).

Dodd amend #4707 (Complete Substitute).

Wicker amend #4719 (Optional purchase of insurance against loss resulting from physical damage). Laid aside.

McConnell amend #4720 (Regarding energy policy). Sen. McConnell filed a cloture motion on the amendment. Laid aside.

Allard 2nd degree amend #4721 (Regarding energy policy) to McConnell amend #4720 (Regarding energy policy). Laid aside.

The Senate recessed at 12:40 PM for party caucuses.

At 2:15 PM, the Senate reconvened.

S. 2284 (Flood Insurance).

Dodd amend #4707 (Complete Substitute).

Wicker amend #4719 (Optional purchase of insurance against loss resulting from physical damage). Laid aside.

Vitter amend #4722 (Increase maximum coverage limits). Laid aside.

Vitter amend #4723 (To allow for a reasonable 5-year phase-in period for adjusted premiums). Laid aside.

Landrieu amend #4706 (To improve the Office of the Flood Insurance Advocate). Laid aside.

Landrieu amend #4705 (To require the Comptroller General to conduct a study regarding mandatory purchasing requirements), as modified. Laid aside.

Wicker amend #4719 (Optional purchase of insurance against loss resulting from physical damage). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 19-73.

Vitter amend #4722 (Increase maximum coverage limits). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 27-66.

Vitter amend #4723 (To allow for a reasonable 5-year phase-in period for adjusted premiums). Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 23-69.

Landrieu amend #4705 (To require the Comptroller General to conduct a study regarding mandatory purchasing requirements), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was not agreed to by a vote of 30-62.

Nelson (FL) amend #4709 (To establish a National Catastrophe Risk Consortium and a National Homeowners' Insurance Stabilization Program). Laid aside.

DeMint amend #4711 (Requires the Director to conduct a study on the impact, effectiveness and feasibility of amending the National Flood Insurance Act to include widely used and nationally recognized building codes as part of the floodplain management criteria). Laid aside.

DeMint amend #4710 (To end the premium subsidy for any property purchased after the date of enactment of this Act), as modified. Laid aside.

Dodd motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to H.R. 980 (Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act). The cloture motion vote will occur at 5:30 PM on Monday, May 12, 2007. The motion is withdrawn.

The Senate proceeded to a period of morning business.

House Message with respect to S. 2929 (Higher Education Act Extension). The Senate concurs in the House amendment by Unanimous Consent.

H. Con. Res. 308 (National Peace Officer's Memorial Service). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 554 (Humanitarian Assistance to Burma after cyclone). Agreed to by UC.

S. Con. Res. 81 (National Women's Health Week). Agreed to by UC.

S. Con. Res. 72 (International Year of Sanitation). Agreed to by UC.

S. 2991 (Energy Price Relief). First reading. Second reading objected to and the bill is placed on the calendar.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, May 8, 2008 and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 2284 (Flood Insurance).

The Senate adjourned at 9:00 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008

The Senate will convene 10:00 AM and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill). The Senate will vote on Tuesday at 2:30 PM on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Rockefeller substitute amendment to H.R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill). If Cloture is not invoked, the Senate will immediately proceed to a Cloture Vote on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2284 (A bill to restore the financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund). Party luncheons are scheduled for Wednesday for the Democrats.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

S. 2972 (Reauthorize and modernize the Federal Aviation Administration). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

S. 2973 (Promote the energy security of the United States). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

H.R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill).

McConnell asked unanimous consent to proceed to S. 2972 (FAA Modernization Bill). Rockefeller asked McConnell to modify request to include an amendment that includes all the provisions of his amendment. McConnell objected.

Rockefeller amend #4627 (Substitute amendment). Motion to invoke cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to invoke cloture was not agreed to by a vote of 49-42.

Reid UC that the cloture motion on S. 2881 (FAA Reauthorization Act of 2007) be withdrawn. Agreed to by unanimous consent.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2284 (National Flood Insurance Act). Motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed. Yeas and nays ordered. The cloture motion was agreed to by a vote of 90-1.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2284 (National Flood Insurance Act).

The Senate proceeded with Morning Business.

H. R. 5493 (provide that the usual day for paying salaries in or under the House of Representatives may be established by regulations of the Committee on House Administration). The bill was agreed to by voice vote, as amended.

S. Res. 552 (Recognizing the 100th anniversary of the state of Minnesota). Agreed to by voice vote

S. Res.553 (Recognizing the 350th Anniversary of Charles County, MD). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, May 6, 2008. There will be a period of Morning Business for 1 hour. The Senate will then resume consideration of S. 2284 (Flood Insurance). The Senate will recess from 12:30 – 2:15 for party caucuses.

The Senate adjourned at 7:10 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2008

The Senate will convene 9:30 AM and will be in a period of morning business. There will be no votes during Friday's session.

The Senate convened and proceeded to a period of morning business.

Reid motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to S. 2284 (National Flood Insurance Act). The motion has been withdrawn.

H.R. 5919 (Technical Corrections to Newborn Screening Saving Lives Act of 2007). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 549 (National Childhood Stroke Awareness Day). Agreed to by UC.

The following bills were considered en bloc:

S. 2972 (Reauthorize and modernize the Federal Aviation Administration).

S. 2973 (Promote the energy security of the United States).

The bills were read for the first time en bloc. Second readings were objected to and the bills were placed on the calendar en bloc.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, May 6, 2008 and will be in a period of morning business for one hour. Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill). The Senate will vote on Tuesday at 2:30 PM on the Rockefeller substitute amendment to H.R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill). Party luncheons are scheduled for Wednesday for the Democrats.

The Senate adjourned at 12:30 PM.

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2008

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, May 1, 2008. The Senate will proceed with Morning Business for 1 hour. The Senate will then resume consideration of H. R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill).

The Senate convened and proceeded with a period of morning business.

H. R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill).

Reid Motion to Commit H. R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill) to the Finance Committee with Instructions to report back forthwith the following amendment:

Reid amend #4636 (the provision of this act shall become effective 2 days after enactment).

Reid 2nd degree amend #4637 to Reid amend #4636 (for the amendment, strike "2" and change to "1").

Rockefeller amend #4642 (Making technical changes).

S. 2954 (A bill to amend public law 110-96 to provide for a temporary extension of programs authorized by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 beyond May 2, 2008). Agreed to by voice vote.

H. R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill).

Rockefeller amend #4642 (Making technical changes).

Reid filed cloture on Rockefeller amend #4627 (Substitute amendment without the pension language contained in the previous Rockefeller substitute amendment). The vote will occur on Tuesday, May 6 at 2:30 PM.

Reid filed cloture on **H. R. 2881 (FAA Authorization Bill)**.

H.R. 3522 (Apache Reservation). Agreed to by voice vote.

H. Con. Res. 340 (Technical corrections to H.R. 493). Agreed to by voice vote.

H. Con. Res. 112 (Supporting Child-Care Wage Day). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 494 (SoS on the need for International Partners to help rebuild Iraq). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 534 (May 2008 as National Drug Court Month). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 544 (Designation May 5th as Substitute Teacher Day). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 545 (Honoring El Dorado Scholarship). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 546 (May 2008 as National Physical Fitness Month). Agreed to by voice vote.

S. Res. 547 (Occupational Health Week). Agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate will convene on Friday, May 2 at 9:30 AM and will be in a period of morning business. There will be no votes during Friday's session.

The Senate adjourned at 7:30 PM.