

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. At 10:30 AM, the Senate will resume debate on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2223 (Provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986). At 12:00 Noon, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to the bill. At 4:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the following nominations: Cal #585, Sheryl H. Lipman to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee; Cal #586, Stanley Allen Bastian to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington; Cal #587, Manish S. Shah to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; Cal #588, Daniel D. Crabtree to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Kansas; Cal #589, Cynthia Ann Bashant to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of California; and Cal #590, Jon David Levy to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maine.

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

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2223 (Provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986). Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed.** The Cloture Motion on the Motion to Proceed was not agreed to by a vote of 54-42.

The Senate proceeded with an Executive Session.

**Cal #585, Sheryl H. Lipman to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 95-0.

**Cal #586, Stanley Allen Bastian to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 95-0.

**Cal #587, Manish S. Shah to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 95-0.

**Cal #588, Daniel D. Crabtree to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Kansas.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 94-0.

**Cal #589, Cynthia Ann Bashant to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of California.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 94-0.

**Cal #590, Jon David Levy to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maine.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 75-20.

**Cal. #711, Robert Work to be Deputy Secretary of Defense.** The nomination was confirmed by Voice Vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 430 (Silver Star Service Banner Day). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 431 (National Month of the Military Child). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, May 1, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business until 11:15 PM. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session proceed to votes on the following nominations:

Cal. #591, Theodore David Chuang to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Motion to Invoke Cloture.

Cal. #592, George Jarrod Hazel to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maryland. Motion to Invoke Cloture.

Cal. #575, Nancy L. Moritz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit. Motion to Invoke Cloture.

At 1:45 PM, all post-cloture time will be yielded back and the Senate will vote confirmation on the following nominations:

Cal. #591, Theodore David Chuang to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Cal. #592, George Jarrod Hazel to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Cal. #730, Janice Schneider to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Cal. #701, Suzan LeVine to be Ambassador to the Swiss Confederation and to the Principality of Liechtenstein.

On Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote confirmation of the following nominations:

Cal. #575, Nancy L. Moritz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

Cal. #703, Peter Selfridge to be Chief of Protocol, and have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service.

The Senate adjourned at 6:46 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 2014

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed with one hour of Morning Business. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the following:

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #585, Sheryl H. Lipman to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #586, Stanley Allen Bastian to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #587, Manish S. Shah to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #588, Daniel D. Crabtree to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Kansas

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #589, Cynthia Ann Bashant to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of California

Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #590, Jon David Levy to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maine

The Senate will recess from 12:30 PM – 2:15 PM for Party Caucuses.

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

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2223 (Provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).**

The Senate proceeded with an Executive Session.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #585, Sheryl H. Lipman to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination was agreed to by a vote of **58-49**.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #586, Stanley Allen Bastian to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **55-41**.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #587, Manish S. Shah to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **57-40**.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #588, Daniel D. Crabtree to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Kansas.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **57-39**.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #589, Cynthia Ann Bashant to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of California.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **56-41**.

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #590, Jon David Levy to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maine. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 63-34.**

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

The Senate recessed at 12:58 PM until 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate reconvened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2223 (Provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).**

Reid asked unanimous consent that the Senate move to proceed to Executive Session to Cal. #591 (Theodore David Chuang, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland). The Senate agreed to move to Executive Session by voice vote. Reid filed cloture on the nomination.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

Reid asked unanimous consent that the Senate move to proceed to Executive Session to Cal. #592 (George Jarrod Hazel, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland). The Senate agreed to move to Executive Session by voice vote. Reid filed cloture on the nomination.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

Reid asked unanimous consent that the Senate move to proceed to Executive Session to Cal. #575 (Nancy L. Moritz, of Kansas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit). The Senate agreed to move to Executive Session by voice vote. Reid filed cloture on the nomination.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 and will proceed with a period of Morning Business. At 10:30 AM, the Senate will resume debate on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2223 (Provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986). At 12:00 Noon, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to the bill. At 4:00 PM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the following nominations: Cal #585, Sheryl H. Lipman to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee; Cal #586, Stanley Allen Bastian to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington; Cal #587, Manish S. Shah to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; Cal #588, Daniel D. Crabtree to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Kansas; Cal #589, Cynthia Ann Bashant to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of California; and Cal #590, Jon David Levy to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maine.

**The Senate adjourned at 7:15 PM.**

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2014

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will proceed with Morning Business until 5:30 PM. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session to vote on Cal. #574 Michelle Friedland to be US Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #613 David Weil to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, Cal. #613 David Weil to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor (if cloture is invoked in the previous vote) and on Cal # 648, Katherine O'Regan to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

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

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2223 (Increase in the Federal Minimum Wage).** Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #574 (Michelle Friedland to be US Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 51-40.

**Cal. #613 (David Weil to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor). Motion to Invoke Cloture.** Yeas and nays ordered. Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination was agreed to by a vote of 51-42.

**Cal. #613 (David Weil to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 51-42.

**Cal. #648 (Katherine O'Regan to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development).** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

**S. 2262 (Promote energy savings).** The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, April 29, 2014 and will proceed with one hour of Morning Business. At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to votes on the following:  
Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #585, Sheryl H. Lipman to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee  
Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #586, Stanley Allen Bastian to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington  
Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #587, Manish S. Shah to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois  
Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #588, Daniel D. Crabtree to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Kansas

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #589, Cynthia Ann Bashant to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of California**

**Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal #590, Jon David Levy to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maine**

**The Senate will recess from 12:30 PM – 2:15 PM for Party Caucuses.**

**The Senate adjourned at 7:09 PM.**

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with Leader time. At 10:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #574, Michelle Friedland to be US Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. If cloture is invoked, there will be 30 hours of post-cloture debate prior to a vote on the nomination, unless an agreement is reached. Upon disposition of the Friedland nomination, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #613, David Weil to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor. If cloture is invoked, there will be up to 8 hours of debate prior to a vote on the Weil nomination, unless an agreement is reached.

The Senate convened and proceeded with an Executive Session

**Cal. #585, Sheryl Lipman to be US District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee.** Sen. Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal #586, Stanley A. Bastian to be US District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.** Sen. Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #587, Manish Shah to be US District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.** Sen. Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #588, Daniel Crabtree to be US District Judge for the District of Kansas.** Sen. Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #589, Cynthia Bashant to be US District Judge for the Southern District of California.** Sen. Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #590, Jon Levy to be US District Judge for the District of Maine.** Sen. Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**All Nominations on the Secretary's Desk in the Foreign Service.** Confirmed by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 423 (Designating April 2014 as "Financial Literacy Month"). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, April 28, 2014 and will proceed with Morning Business until 5:30 PM. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session to vote on Cal. #574 Michelle Friedland to be US Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #613 David Weil to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, Cal. #613 David Weil to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor (if cloture is invoked in the previous vote) and on Cal # 648, Katherine O'Regan to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

The Senate adjourned at 4:15 PM under the provisions of S. Con. Res 35 (Adjournment Resolution).

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2014

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed with Leader Remarks. The Senate will then resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act). At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to the bill. Also during Wednesday's session, at a time to be determined by the Leaders, there will be a vote on Cal. #507, Terrell McSweeney to be a Federal Trade Commissioner.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Leader Remarks.

S. 2223 (Provide for an increase in the minimum wage). The second reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act). Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was not agreed to by a vote of 53-44.

Landrieu asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to H.R. 3521 (Department of Veterans Affairs Major Medical Facility Lease Authorization Act) and the bill be read three times and passed. Lee objected.

Lee asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to H.R. 3521 (Department of Veterans Affairs Major Medical Facility Lease Authorization Act), the Vitter amendment at the desk be agreed to, and the bill be read three times and passed. Sanders objected.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #649, Wanda Felton to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2017.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 75-21.

**Cal. #507, Terrell McSweeney to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the unexpired term of seven years.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 95-1.

**Cal. #506, Debra Miller to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2017.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by Voice Vote.

**Cal. #619, Steven Joel Anthony to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2018.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by Voice Vote.

**Cal. #522, Daniel W. Yohannes to be Representative of the United States to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador.** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by Voice Vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

Cal. #745 (Colonels to be Brig. General in the Air National Guard).

Cal. #746 (Lt. Gen. John Hyten to be General in the US Air Force).

Cal. #747 (Maj. Gen. Wendy Masiello to be Lt. General in the US Air Force).

Cal. #748 (Rear Adm. Margaret Kibben to be Rear Admiral in the US Navy).

Cal. #749 (Capt. Brent Scott to be Rear Admiral in the US Navy).

Cal. #750 (Vice Adm. Sean Pybus to be Vice Admiral in the US Navy).

Cal. #751 (Col. John Ewers Jr. to be Major General in the US Marine Corps).

All nominations placed on the Secretary's Desk.

Confirmed, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

S. Con. Res. 43 (100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the enactment of the Smith-Lever Act). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Con. Res. 35 (Adjournment resolution). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, April 10, 2014 and will proceed to Leader time. At 10:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #574 (Michelle Friedland to be US Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit). If cloture is invoked, there will be 30 hours of post-cloture debate prior to a vote on the nomination, unless an agreement is reached. Upon disposition of the Friedland nomination, the Senate will proceed to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #613 (David Weil to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor). If cloture is invoked, there will be up to 8 hours of debate prior to a vote on the Weil nomination, unless an agreement is reached.

The Senate adjourned at 5:52 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2014

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:30 PM. The Senate will recess from 12:30 PM until 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches. Sen. Reid filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act), and the cloture vote will occur on Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Morning Business.

H.R. 2575 (Save American Workers Act of 2014). The bill was read for a second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to and the bill was placed on the Calendar.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act).**

The Senate recessed from 12:35-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

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

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act).**

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #556 (Neil Gregory Kornze, of Nevada, to be Director of the Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 71-28.

**Cal. #502 (Frank G. Klotz, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, Department of Energy).** Confirmed by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act).** Laid aside.

**Cal. #574, Michelle Friedland to be US Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.** Sen. Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #613, David Weil to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor.** Sen. Reid filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

**Cal. #649, Wanda Felton to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the US.** Sen. Reid request that at a time to be determined this week, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the nomination was agreed to.

Cal. #507, Terrell McSweeney to be a Federal Trade Commissioner. Sen. Reid request that at a time to be determined, on Wednesday, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the nomination was agreed to.

Cal. 713, Gen. Paul J. Selva to be a General in the US Air Force. Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 361 (Recognizing the threats to freedom of the press and expression in the People's Republic of China). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H. Con. Res. 90 (Authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall for a ceremony). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 2223 (Provide for an increase in the minimum wage). The first reading of the bill was agreed to. Further consideration was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, April 9, 2014. The Senate will proceed with Leader Remarks. The Senate will then resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act). At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to the bill. Also during Wednesday's session, at a time to be determined by the Leaders, there will be a vote on Cal. #507, Terrell McSweeney to be a Federal Trade Commissioner.

The Senate adjourned at 7:50 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2014

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM and will be in a period of Morning Business until 5:00 PM. The Senate will then resume consideration of H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension), as amended. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on passage of the bill.

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

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension), as amended.** Final passage. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill as amended passed by a vote of 59-38.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #688 (Francis Xavier Taylor to be Under Secretary of Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security).** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #706 (L. Reginald Brothers to be Under Secretary for Science and Technology, Department of Homeland Security).** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

**Cal. #549 (Mark Bradley Childress to be Ambassador of America to the United Republic of Tanzania).** The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act).**

Reid filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act).

**S. 2195 (A bill to deny admission to the United States to any representative to the United Nations who has engaged in espionage activities against the United States, poses a threat to United States national security interests, or has engaged in a terrorist activity against the United States).** The Cruz amendment at the desk was agreed to by unanimous consent. The bill as amended was agreed to by unanimous consent.

**H. Con. Res. 92 (Use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service).** Agreed to by unanimous consent.

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

S. Res. 414

S. Res. 415

S. Res. 416

H.R. 2575 (Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986). The bill was read for the first time. The second reading was objected to and the bill was placed on the Calendar.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business until 12:30 PM. The Senate will recess from 12:30 PM until 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches. Sen. Reid filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2199 (Paycheck Fairness Act), and the cloture vote will occur on Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

The Senate adjourned at 7:57 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with Leader remarks. The Senate will then resume consideration of H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension). Post-cloture debate on the Reed-Heller amend #2874 (Of a perfecting nature) will be the pending business. Votes are expected, but not scheduled.

The Senate convened and proceeded with a Legislative Session.

**H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension).**

At 2:30 PM, all post-cloture time on Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature) will be considered expired, and the following amendments be withdrawn:

Reid amend #2875 (of a perfecting nature).

Reid amend #2877 (of a perfecting nature).

Reid amend #2878 (of a perfecting nature).

Sessions will be recognized to raise a budget point of order against Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature), and the Senate will proceed to vote on the motion to waive the budget point of order. If the motion to waive is agreed to, the Senate will then proceed to vote on the adoption of Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature). Upon the disposition of that amendment, the Senate will proceed to vote on the motion to invoke cloture on H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension). If cloture is invoked on the bill, all post-cloture time will expire on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 5:30 PM, and the Senate will proceed to vote on final passage of the bill as amended, if amended.

Under a previous unanimous consent agreement, the following amendments were withdrawn:

Reid amend #2875 (of a perfecting nature).

Reid amend #2877 (of a perfecting nature).

Reid amend #2878 (of a perfecting nature).

Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature). Session raised a Budget Point Order against the amendment. Murray made a Motion to Waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Waive the Budget Act with respect to Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature) was agreed to by a vote of 60-36.

Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature). The amendment was agreed to by voice vote.

**H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension), as amended.** Motion to Invoke Cloture on the bill. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of 61-35. Final passage will occur Monday, April 7, 2014 at 5:30 PM.

Sen. Walsh asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate proceed to H.R. 2259 (North Fork Watershed Protection Act of 2014) and that the bill be read three times and passed. Objected to by Sen. Toomey.

Sen. Walsh asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate proceed to S. 255 (North Fork Watershed Protection Act of 2013), that the Committee amendment be agreed to, and the bill as amended be read three times and passed. Objected to by Sen. Toomey.

S. 404 (Green Mountain Lookout Heritage Protection Act). Committee amendment agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following treaties were considered en bloc:

Treaty Doc #112-4 (Agreement on Port State Measures to Prevent, Deter, and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing).

Treaty Doc #113-1 (Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean).

Treat Doc #113-2 (Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean).

Treaty Doc #113-3 (Amendment to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries).

A division vote was requested on the treaties.

**Treaty Doc #112-4 (Agreement on Port State Measures to Prevent, Deter, and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing).** Two-thirds of the Senators present have voted in the affirmative. The resolution of ratification was agreed to.

**Treaty Doc #113-1 (Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean).** Two-thirds of the Senators present have voted in the affirmative. The resolution of ratification was agreed to.

**Treat Doc #113-2 (Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean).** Two-thirds of the Senators present have voted in the affirmative. The resolution of ratification was agreed to.

**Treaty Doc #113-3 (Amendment to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries).** Two-thirds of the Senators present have voted in the affirmative. The resolution of ratification was agreed to.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 384 (Sense of the Senate concerning humanitarian efforts in Syria). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

S. Res. 394 (Gold Star Wives Day). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H. Con. Res. 88 (Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soapbox Derby). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 2:00 PM on Monday, April 7, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business until 5:00 PM. The Senate will then resume consideration of H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension), as amended. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on passage of the bill.

The Senate adjourned at 5:37 PM.

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2014

The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business for one hour. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session and resume consideration of H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension). At 10:00 AM, the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature) to H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension). At a time to be determined by the leaders, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the following nominations: Tomasz Malinowski, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor; Portia Wu, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor; and Deborah L. Birx to be Ambassador at Large and Coordinator of United States Government Activities to Combat HIV/AIDS Globally.

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

Motion to Proceed S. 1737 (A bill to provide an increase in the Federal Minimum Wage). The Motion to Proceed to the bill was laid aside and the Senate proceeded with a period of Morning Business.

S. 2198 (A bill to direct the secretary of the interior, the secretary of commerce, and the administrator of the environmental protection agency to take actions to provide additional water supplies and disaster assistance to the state of California). The bill was read for the second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to. The bill was placed on the Calendar.

S. 2199 (A bill to amend the fair labor standards act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex and for other purposes). The bill was read for the second time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to. The bill was placed on the Calendar.

**H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension).**

Vitter asked to call up his amendment #2931 (to prevent concurrent receipt of emergency unemployment compensation and Social Security disability insurance). Reid objected.

Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature). Motion to Invoke Cloture on the amendment was agreed to by 61-38.

Motion to Commit H.R. 3979. Since cloture was invoked, the motion falls.

Reid amend #2878 (Of a perfecting nature). Since cloture was invoked, the amendment falls.

Reid amend #2877 (Of a perfecting nature). Since cloture was invoked, the amendment falls.

Reid amend #2876 (Of perfecting nature). Since cloture was invoked, the amendment falls.

Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature). The Senate is currently in post-cloture debate on the amendment.

Reid amend #2878 (Of a perfecting nature). The chair was in error in striking down the amendment, and the amendment is reinstated.

Reid amend #2877 (Of a perfecting nature). The chair was in error in striking down the amendment, and the amendment is reinstated.

Hatch asked to call up his amendment #2905 (To protect American job creation by striking the Federal mandate on employers to offer health insurance). Reed objected.

Hatch asked to call up his amendment #2906 (To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on medial devises). Reed objected.

Vitter asked Unanimous Consent that H.R. 3521 (Department of Veterans Affairs Major Medical Facility Lease Authorization Act of 2013) be pending, that the Vitter amendment be agreed to, and the bill as amended be read three times and passed. Objected to by Sen. Sanders.

Sen. Sanders asked Unanimous Consent that S. 1950 (Comprehensive Veterans Health and Benefits and Military Retirement Pay Restoration Act of 2014) be pending, that the Sanders substitute amendment be agreed to, and the bill as amended be read three times and passed. Objected to by Sen. Vitter.

Hoeven motion to proceed to the consideration of Hoeven amend #2891 (Promote economic growth and job creation in the US and to strengthen the energy security of partners and allies of the US) was objected to by Reed.

Reid amend #2878 (of a perfecting nature). Barrasso motion to table the amendment. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to table the amendment is not agreed to by a vote of 46-50.

Vitter motion to proceed to Vitter amend #2931 (Prevent concurrent receipt of emergency unemployment compensation and Social Security disability insurance). The Chair ruled that the Vitter motion is inconsistent with the Senate's precedents with respect to the offering of amendments. Vitter appealed the ruling of the Chair. Reid motion to table the Vitter appeal of the ruling. Yeas and nays ordered. The motion to table the appeal of the ruling of the Chair was agreed to by 67-29

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Tomasz P. Malinowski to be Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor. Agreed to by voice vote.

Cal. #679, Portia Y. Wu to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor. Agreed to by voice vote.

**Cal. #705, Deborah L. Birx to be Ambassador at Large and Coordinator of United States Government Activities to Combat HIV/AIDS Globally. Agreed to by voice vote.**

**S. Res. 409 (Congratulating the Penn State Wrestling Team). Agreed to by unanimous consent.**

**The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed with Leader remarks. The Senate will then resume consideration of H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension). Post-cloture debate on the Reed-Heller amend #2874 (Of a perfecting nature) will be the pending business. Votes are expected, but not scheduled.**

**The Senate adjourned at 8:03 PM.**

## SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2014

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will be in a period of Morning Business for one hour. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session and resume consideration of H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension). The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

Motion to Proceed S. 1737 (A bill to provide an increase in the Federal Minimum Wage). The Motion to Proceed to the bill was laid aside and the Senate proceeded with a period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

**H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension).**

The Senate recessed from 12:46-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

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

**Cal. #532 (Kevin Whitaker to be Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 99-0.

**Cal. #687 (John Carlin to be an Assistant Attorney General).** Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 99-1.

**Cal. #683 (Christopher Lu to be Deputy Secretary of Labor).** The nomination was confirmed by Voice Vote.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension).**

The Senate proceeded with a period of Morning Business.

**S. Res. 371 (Honoring the legacy of Jan Karsky).** Agreed to by unanimous consent.

**S. Res. 408 (Parkinson's Awareness Month).** Agreed to by unanimous consent.

**S. 2198 (A bill to direct the secretary of the interior, the secretary of commerce, and the administrator of the environmental protection agency to take actions to provide additional water supplies and disaster assistance to the state of California).** The bill was read for the first time. The second reading was objected to.

**S. 2199 (A bill to amend the fair labor standards act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex and for other purposes). The bill was read for the first time. The second reading was objected to.**

**The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 and will be in a period of Morning Business for one hour. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session and resume consideration of H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension). At 10:00 AM, the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Reed-Heller amend #2874 (of a perfecting nature) to H.R. 3979 (Amend the IRS Code of 1986/Legislative vehicle for unemployment insurance extension). At a time to be determined by the leaders, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to vote on the following nominations: Tomasz Malinowski, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor; Portia Wu, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor; and Deborah L. Birx to be Ambassador at Large and Coordinator of United States Government Activities to Combat HIV/AIDS Globally.**

**The Senate adjourned at 7:10 PM.**