Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S13639–S13712

Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2918–2921, and S. Res. 382–383. **Page S13698**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 2188, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to conduct a Joint Venture Program to protect, restore, enhance, and manage migratory bird populations, their habitats, and the ecosystems they rely on, through voluntary actions on public and private lands. (S. Rept. No. 111–111) **Page S13698**

Measures Passed:

1st Lieutenant Louis Allen Post Office: Senate passed H.R. 2877, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 76 Brookside Avenue in Chester, New York, as the ''1st Lieutenant Louis Allen Post Office'', clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13660**

Coach Jodie Bailey Post Office Building: Senate passed H.R. 3072, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9810 Halls Ferry Road in St. Louis, Missouri, as the ''Coach Jodie Bailey Post Office Building'', clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13660**

Army Specialist Jeremiah Paul McCleery Post Office Building: Senate passed H.R. 3319, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 440 South Gulling Street in Portola, California, as the ''Army Specialist Jeremiah Paul McCleery Post Office Building'', clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13660**

Patricia D. McGinty-Juhl Post Office Building: Senate passed H.R. 3539, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 427 Harrison Avenue in Harrison, New Jersey, as the ''Patricia D. McGinty-Juhl Post Office Building'', clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13660**

Clyde L. Hillhouse Post Office Building: Senate passed H.R. 3667, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 16555 Springs Street in White Springs, Florida, as the ''Clyde L. Hillhouse Post Office Building'', clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13660**

W. Hazen Hillyard Post Office Building: Senate passed H.R. 3767, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 North Main Street in Smithfield, Utah, as the ''W. Hazen Hillyard Post Office Building'', clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13660**

Corporal Joseph A. Tomci Post Office Building: Senate passed H.R. 3788, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3900 Darrow Road in Stow, Ohio, as the ''Corporal Joseph A. Tomci Post Office Building'', clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13660**

John S. Wilder Post Office Building: Senate passed H.R. 1817, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 116 North West Street in Somerville, Tennessee, as the ''John S. Wilder Post Office Building'', clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S13660–61**

National Slavery and Trafficking Prevention Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 382, supporting the goals and ideals of observing the National Slavery and Trafficking Prevention Month from January 1 through February 1, 2010, to raise awareness of, and opposition to, modern slavery. **Pages S13704–05**

National Mentoring Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 383, designating January 2010 as ''National Mentoring Month''. **Pages S13705–06**

Measures Considered:

Service Members Home Ownership Tax Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 3590, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the first-time homebuyers credit in the case of members of the Armed Forces and certain other Federal employees, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 2786, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S13640, S13647**

Reid Amendment No. 3276 (to Amendment No. 2786), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S13640, S13647**

Reid Amendment No. 3277 (to Amendment No. 3276), to change the enactment date. **Pages S13640, S13647**

Reid Amendment No. 3278 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2786), to change the enactment date. **Pages S13640, S13647**

Reid Amendment No. 3279 (to Amendment No. 3278), to change the enactment date. **Pages S13640, S13647**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 60 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 385), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on Reid Amendment No. 3276 (to Amendment No. 2786), of a perfecting nature. **Page S13646**

Reid Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions to report back forthwith, with Reid Amendment No. 3280, to change the enactment date, fell when cloture was invoked on Reid Amendment No. 3276 (to Amendment No. 2786). **Page S13640**

Reid Amendment No. 3281 (to the instructions (Amendment No. 3280) of the motion to commit), to change the enactment date, fell when Amendment No. 3280 fell. **Page S13640**

Reid Amendment No. 3282 (to Amendment No. 3281), to change the enactment date, fell when Reid Amendment No. 3281 (to the instructions (Amendment No. 3280) fell. **Page S13640**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 7 a.m., on Tuesday, December 22, 2009, with post-cloture time continuing to run during the overnight adjournment; and the time until the expiration of post-cloture time be equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees; that upon the expiration of time, the Majority Leader be recognized to move to table Reid Amendment No. 3278 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2786) (listed above); that upon disposition of Reid Amendment No. 3278, that Reid Amendment No. 3277 (to Amendment No. 3276) (listed above), be withdrawn; that Senate then vote on adoption of Reid Amendment No. 3276 (to Amendment No. 2786) (listed above); that upon disposition of Reid Amendment No. 3276, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Reid Amendment No. 2786 (listed above); that if cloture is invoked, the Majority Leader then be recognized, and the time until 9:30 a.m., then be equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees; provided further, that the Senate begin alternating one hour blocks of time beginning at 9:30 a.m., until 5:30 p.m., with the Republicans controlling the first hour; that at 12:30 p.m., Senate stand in recess until 2:30 p.m., and that upon reconvening the Senate resume alternating blocks until 5:30 p.m., with all post-cloture time counting during any recess period and until 5:30 p.m. **Page S13706**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Theodore W. Tozer, of Ohio, to be President, Government National Mortgage Association.

Kevin Wolf, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Timothy McGee, of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Sharon L. Browne, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2010.

Charles Norman Wiltse Keckler, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2010.

Victor B. Maddox, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2010.

Routine lists in the Air Force and Marine Corps. **Pages S13709–12**

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Privileges of the Floor: **Page S13704**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—385) **Page S13646**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12:01 a.m. and adjourned at 7:41 p.m., until 7 a.m. on Tuesday, December 22, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S13706.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.