

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2146–2155, and S. Res. 340–341. **Pages S14185–86**

Measures Reported:

S. 967, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to ensure that prepackaged news stories contain announcements that inform viewers that the information within was provided by the United States Government, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–210)

S. 1063, to promote and enhance public safety and to encourage the rapid deployment of IP-enabled voice services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–211) **Page S14185**

Measures Passed:

Commending Dr. Douglas Holtz-Eakin: Senate agreed to S. Res. 341, commending Dr. Douglas Holtz-Eakin for his dedicated, faithful, and outstanding service to his country and to the Senate.

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Deficit Reduction Omnibus Reconciliation Act—Conference Report: Senate continued consideration of the conference report to accompany S. 1932, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 202(a) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006 (H. Con. Res. 95). **Pages S14073–S14164**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, December 21, 2005, and that all time, except for five minutes each for the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on the Budget, be considered expired; that following that time Senator Conrad be recognized to raise a Budget Act point of order against the conference report, that Senator Gregg then be recognized to make a motion to waive; that following the vote on the motion to waive, Senator Conrad be recognized to make a further point of order, that Senator Gregg again be recognized to make a motion to waive; that the only Byrd Rule points of order remaining in order be from the list at the desk; that

if both points of order are waived, Senate vote on adoption of the conference report; further, that if either motion to waive is rejected and the Chair sustains either point of order following the votes on the motions to waive, Senate then vote on the motion to concur in the House of Representatives amendment with the Senate amendment as provided under the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended, without intervening action or debate; and that there be four minutes equally divided before each point of order vote. **Page S14160**

Department of Defense Appropriations Conference Report: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following the disposition of the conference report to accompany S. 1932 (listed above), Senate resume consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2863, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, that there be one hour equally divided between the Majority and Democratic Leaders, or their designees, for debate only, and the Senate then vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the conference report. **Pages S14196–97**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

James I. Finley, of Minnesota, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology.

Stephen Goldsmith, of Indiana, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2010.

Sharee M. Freeman, of Virginia, to be Director, Community Relations Service, for a term of four years.

Routine lists in the Army and the Coast Guard.

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