# Daily Digest

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

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# Senate

## Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2049–2058, and S. Res. 319–320.

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### Measures Reported:

S. Res. 279, reaffirming the commitment of the United States to promote democracy, human rights, and the rule of law in Cambodia, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble.

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#### Measures Passed:

National Domestic Violence Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 320, supporting the goals and ideals of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, commending domestic violence victim advocates, domestic violence victim service providers, crisis hotline staff, and first responders serving victims of domestic violence for their compassionate support of survivors of domestic violence, and expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should continue to support efforts to end domestic violence, provide safety for victims of domestic violence and their families, and hold perpetrators of domestic violence accountable.

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Eid Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Allison H. Eid, of Colorado, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

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

By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 258), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, that at 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, November 2, 2017, there be 30 minutes of post-cloture time remaining on the

nomination, equally divided between the Leaders, or their designees, and that following the use or yielding back of that time, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination. Page S6963

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, November 2, 2017.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 60 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. EX. 257), Joan Louise Larsen, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Michael D. Griffin, of Alabama, to be a Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

Randall G. Schriver, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Joel Danies, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Gabonese Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe.

Douglas Webster, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Education.

Scott A. Mugno, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

James R. Sweeney II, of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—258) Pages S6944, S6945

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 2, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6973.)

# Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of David J. Ryder, of New Jersey, to be Director of the Mint, Department of the Treasury, and Hester Maria Peirce, of Ohio, and Robert J. Jackson, Jr., of New York, both to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Scott Garrett, of New Jersey, to be President, Kimberly A. Reed, of West Virginia, to be First Vice President, Mark L. Greenblatt, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, and Spencer Bachus III, of Alabama, Judith Delzoppo Pryor, of Ohio, and Claudia Slacik, of New York, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors, all of the Export-Import Bank, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of James Bridenstine, of Oklahoma, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, who was introduced by Senator Inhofe, Dana Baiocco, of Ohio, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and Nazakhtar Nikakhtar, of Maryland, who was introduced by Senator Wicker, and Neil Jacobs, of North Carolina, both to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Irwin Steven Goldstein, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy, Rebecca Eliza Gonzales, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho, Lisa A. Johnson, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia, James Randolph Evans, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, who was introduced by Senator Isakson, and Sean P. Lawler, of Maryland, to be Chief of Protocol, and to have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

# ENERGY AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Multilateral International Development, Multilateral Institutions, and International Economic, Energy, and Environmental Policy concluded a hearing to examine energy and international development, after receiving testimony from Rachel Kyte, Sustainable Energy for All, Washington, D.C.; Todd J. Moss, Center for Global Development, Bethesda, Maryland; Joao Talocchi, Purpose Climate Lab, New York, New York; and Paul J. Mitchell, Energy Systems Network, Indianapolis, Indiana.

### MODERNIZING TAX POLICIES

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine building tribal economies, focusing on modernizing tax policies that work for Indian country, after receiving testimony from Carl Marrs, Old Harbor Native Corporation, Anchorage, Alaska; Liana Onnen, Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, Mayetta, Kansas; and Dante Desiderio, Nafoa, Washington, D.C.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Leonard Steven Grasz, of Nebraska, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, who was introduced by Senator Fischer, Terry A. Doughty, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, who was introduced by Senator Cassidy, Terry Fitzgerald Moorer, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama, who was introduced by Senator Shelby, and Mark Saalfield Norris, Sr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, who was introduced by Senators Alexander and Corker, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.