

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4823–S4864

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1183–1189, and S. Res. 165–166. **Page S4841**

Measures Passed:

Death of Representative Juanita Millender-McDonald: Senate agreed to S. Res. 165, relative to the death of Representative Juanita Millender-McDonald. **Page S4861**

Commemorating Lifetime Achievement of Reverend Leon H. Sullivan: Senate agreed to S. Res. 166, commemorating the lifetime achievement of the Reverend Leon H. Sullivan. **Pages S4861–63**

American National Red Cross Governance Modernization Act: Senate passed H.R. 1681, to amend the Congressional Charter of The American National Red Cross to modernize its governance structure, to enhance the ability of the board of governors of The American National Red Cross to support the critical mission of The American National Red Cross in the 21st century, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S4863–64**

America COMPETES Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 761, to invest in innovation and education to improve the competitiveness of the United States in the global economy, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Inouye/Stevens Amendment No. 906, to strike the provisions regarding the working capital fund and to amend certain provisions regarding the National Science Foundation. **Pages S4831–36**

Withdrawn:

Bingaman/Alexander Amendment No. 904, to strike the NIST working capital fund provision. **Pages S4825–31**

Pending:

Bingaman Amendment No. 908, to make certain improvements to the bill. **Pages S4836–37**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, April 24, 2007. **Page S4864**

Ozerden Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of Halil Suleyman Ozerden, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi at 12 noon, on Tuesday, April 24, 2007; that there be 10 minutes for debate equally divided between the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on the Judiciary, or their designees; that at the conclusion, or yielding back, of time Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination. **Page S4861**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m., and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Juanita Millender-McDonald, United States Representative from the State of California, in accordance with S. Res. 165, adjourned at 5:26 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, April 24, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4864.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HEIGHTEN GAS EFFICIENCY STANDARDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1115, to promote the efficient use of oil, natural gas, and electricity,

reduce oil consumption, and heighten energy efficiency standards for consumer products and industrial equipment, after receiving testimony from Secretary John Mizroch, Principle Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy; Mayor Martin J. Chavez, Albuquerque, New Mexico, on behalf of the United States Conference of Mayors; Robert E. Schjerven, Lennox International, Inc., Arlington, Virginia, on behalf of the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association (GAMA); William Prindle, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (ACEEE), and Jim Y. Kerr II, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), Alicia Collier, Federal Performance Contracting Coalition (FPCC), all of Washington, D.C.; and Kyle Pitsor, National Electric Manufacturers Association, Rosslyn, Virginia.

COLLEGE CAMPUS SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine security and emergency preparedness on America's college campuses, after receiving testimony from David Ward, American Council on Education, Washington, D.C.; W. Roger Webb, University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond; Steven J. Healy, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, on behalf of the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators; Russ Federman, University of Virginia Department of Student Health, Charlottesville; and Irwin Redlener, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health, New York, New York.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 1992–2009; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 125–126; and H. Res. 328–329 were introduced. **Pages H3776–77**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3777–78**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 327, providing for consideration of the bill H.R. 362, to authorize science scholarships for educating mathematics and science teachers (H. Rept. 110–105); and

H.R. 1675, to suspend the requirements of the Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding electronic filing of previous participation certificates and regarding filing of such certificates with respect to certain low-income housing investors (H. Rept. 110–106). **Page H3776**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hirono to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H3727**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H3727**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Expressing support for a National Foster Parents Day: H. Res. 179, to express support for a National Foster Parents Day, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 390 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 245;

Pages H3728–32, H3741–42

Atanacio Haro-Marin Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 625, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4230 Maine Avenue in Baldwin Park, California, as the “Atanacio Haro-Marin Post Office”; **Page H3731**

Sergeant Dennis J. Flanagan Lecanto Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 1402, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 South Lecanto Highway in Lecanto, Florida, as the “Sergeant Dennis J. Flanagan Lecanto Post Office Building”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 386 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 247;

Pages H3731–33, H3742–43

Rachel Carson Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 1434, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 896 Pittsburgh Street in Springdale, Pennsylvania, as the “Rachel Carson Post Office Building”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 334 yeas to 53 nays with 3 voting “present”, Roll No. 246; and **Pages H3733–35, H3742**

Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Customhouse Designation Act: S. 521, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse and customhouse located at 515 West First Street in Duluth, Minnesota, as the “Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Customhouse”—clearing the measure for the President.

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Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Renzi wherein he resigned from the Select Committee on Intelligence, effective immediately. **Page H3741**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:46 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H3741**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Tuesday, April 24th.

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to raising awareness and encouraging prevention of sexual assault in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month: H. Res. 289, to express the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to raising awareness and encouraging prevention of sexual assault in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month and **Pages H3735–37**

Supporting the mission and goals of National Crime Victims' Rights Week in order to increase public awareness of the rights, needs, and concerns of victims and survivors of crime in the United States during such week and throughout the year: H. Res. 119, to support the mission and goals of National Crime Victims' Rights Week in order to increase public awareness of the rights, needs, and concerns of victims and survivors of crime in the United States during such week and throughout the year. **Pages H3737–40**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in memory of the Honorable Juanita Millender-McDonald. **Page H3742**

Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the passing of Representative Millender-McDonald, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 433. **Page H3742**

In Memory of the late Honorable Juanita Millender-McDonald of California: The House agreed to H. Res. 328, expressing the condolences of the House on the death of the Honorable Juanita Millender-McDonald, a Representative from the State of California. **Pages H3743–53**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3741–42, H3742 and H3742–43. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and at 11:40 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 328, it stands adjourned in memory of the late Honorable Juanita Millender-McDonald.

Committee Meetings

NCLB: PREVENTING DROPOUTS AND ENHANCING SCHOOL SAFETY

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on NCLB: Preventing Dropouts and Enhancing School Safety. Testimony was heard from Jane P. Norwood, Vice-Chair, Board of Education, State of North Carolina; and public witnesses.

10,000 TEACHERS, 10 MILLION MINDS SCIENCE AND MATH SCHOLARSHIP ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, a structured rule. The rule provides for 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 362, 10,000 Teachers, 10 Million Minds Science and Math Scholarship Act, equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Science and Technology.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Science and Technology as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment. The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as an original bill and shall be considered as read. All points of order against the committee amendment are waived except those arising under clauses 9 or 10 or rule XXI.

The rule makes in order those amendments printed in the report and waives all points of order against such amendments except those arising under clauses 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, during consideration of the bill the Chair may postpone further consideration to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lipinski and Hall of Texas.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine challenges and opportunities facing American agriculture producers, focusing on specialty crops, dairy, sugar, organic production and marketing, and honey, 9 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to receive testimony on United States Pacific Command, United States Forces Korea, and United States Special Operations

Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the readiness of United States ground forces in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program, 3 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine communications, broadband and competitiveness relating to how the United States measures up, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the implications of the Supreme Court's decision regarding the Environment Protection Agency authorities with respect to greenhouse cases under the Clean Air Act, 9:45 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine No Child Left Behind Reauthorization, focusing on modernizing middle and high schools for the 21st century, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery, to hold hearings to examine trailers, focusing on creating a more flexible, efficient, and cost-effective Federal Disaster Housing Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Transit Benefit Program, focusing on whether benefits are being misused, program rules are being violated, and agency oversight requires strengthening, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, to hold hearings to examine the casualties of war focusing on child soldiers and the law, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Insurrection Act rider and the state control of the National Guard, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review the Federal Milk Marketing Order rulemaking procedures, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on public witnesses, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Navy and Marine Corps Force Posture and Acquisition Overview, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on Woodrow Wilson Center/Kennedy Center, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Capitol Visitors Center, 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on Strengthening the Middle Class: Ensuring Equal Pay for Women, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on Have OSHA Standards Kept Up With Workplace Hazards? 1:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "Implementation of EPACT 2005 Loan Guarantee Programs by the Department of Energy", 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Diminished Capacity: Can the FDA Assure the Safety and Security of the Nation's Food Supply?" 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunication and the Internet, to continue hearings entitled "Digital Future of the United States: Part IV: Broadband Lessons from Abroad, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Policy Options for Extending the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act," 1:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on PEPFAR: An Assessment of Progress and Challenges, 11 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on U.S.-Columbia Relations, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, to consider the following measures: H.R. 1413, To direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to address vulnerabilities in aviation security by carrying out a pilot program to screen airport workers with access to secure and sterile areas of airports; and H.R. 1981, To amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to issue regulations establishing security standards for foreign repair stations performing maintenance for aircraft used to provide air transportation, 1:30 p.m., 1539 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing on the Tulsa Greenwood Riot Accountability Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1700, COPS Improvement Act of 2007; H.R. 916, John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act of 2007; and H.R. 933, Witness Security and Protection Act of 2007; followed by markup of H.R. 1592, Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Act of 2007, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law, hearing on Problems in the Current Employment Verification and Worksite Enforcement System, 11 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans and the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, joint hearing on Renewable Energy Opportunities and Issues on the Outer Continental Shelf, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing on Misleading Information from the Battlefield, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census and National Archives, hearing on Preparations for the 2010 Census, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 1332, Small Business Lending Improvements Act of 2007; and H.R. 249, To restore the prohibition on the commercial sale and slaughter of wild free-roaming horses and burros, 5 p.m. H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, to mark up H.R. 1873, To reauthorize the programs and activities of the Small Business Administration relating to procurement, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Buy America, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, to mark up of H.R. 1660, to direct the Secretary of Veterans' Affairs' to establish a national Cemetery for Veterans in the southern Colorado region, and a hearing on Helping Those Left Behind: Are We Doing Enough for the Parents, Spouses and Children of Veterans, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing on Member proposals on Energy and Tax Policy, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, on Intelligence Matters, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, April 24

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 24

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes), Senate will continue consideration of S. 761, America COMPETES Act. At 12 noon Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Halil Suleyman Ozerden, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi and after a period of debate vote on confirmation thereof.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 1675—Preservation Approval Process Improvement Act of 2007; (2) H.R. 1676—Native American Home Ownership Opportunity Act of 2007; (3) H. Res. 299—Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress should increase public awareness of child abuse and neglect and should continue to work with the States to reduce the incidence of child abuse and neglect through such programs as the Child Welfare Services and Promoting Safe and Stable Families programs; and (4) H.R. 518—International Solid Waste Importation and Management Act of 2007. Consideration of H.R. 362—10,000 Teachers, 10 Million Minds Science and Math Scholarship Act and H.R. 363—Sowing the Seeds Through Science and Engineering Research Act.

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