

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 2361, Department of the Interior Appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7543–S7645

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1327–1338, S.J. Res. 20, and S. Res. 184. **Pages S7613–14**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 2006”. (S. Rept. No. 109–95)

S. 1307, to implement the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement. **Page S7613**

Measures Passed:

Congresswoman Shirley A. Chisholm Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 571, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1915 Fulton Street in Brooklyn, New York, as the “Congresswoman Shirley A. Chisholm Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S7550–51**

Boone Pickens Post Office: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 775, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 W. 7th Street in Holdenville, Oklahoma, as the “Boone Pickens Post Office”, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Brian P. Parrello Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 904, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1560 Union Valley Road in West Milford, New Jersey, as the “Brian P. Parrello Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Dalip Singh Saund Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 120, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 30777 Rancho California Road in Temecula, California, as the “Dalip Singh Saund Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Sergeant First Class John Marshall Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 289, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8200 South Vermont Avenue in Los Angeles, California, as the Sergeant First Class John Marshall Post Office Building, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Arthur Stacey Mastrapa Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 324, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 321 Montgomery Road in Altamonte Springs, Florida, as the “Arthur Stacey Mastrapa Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Ray Charles Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 504, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4960 West Washington Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the “Ray Charles Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Linda White-Epps Post Office: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 627, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 40 Putnam Avenue in Hamden, **Pages S7550, S7551**

Connecticut, as the “Linda White-Epps Post Office”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Sergeant Byron W. Norwood Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1001, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 South Heatherwilde Boulevard in Pflugerville, Texas, as the “Sergeant Byron W. Norwood Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Judge Emilio Vargas Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1072, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 151 West End Street in Goliad, Texas, as the “Judge Emilio Vargas Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Francis C. Goodpaster Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1082, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 120 East Illinois Avenue in Vinita, Oklahoma, as the “Francis C. Goodpaster Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Mayor Tony Armstrong Memorial Post Office: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1236, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 750 4th Street in Sparks, Nevada, as the “Mayor Tony Armstrong Memorial Post Office”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Captain Mark Stubenhofer Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1460, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6200 Rolling Road in Springfield, Virginia, as the “Captain Mark Stubenhofer Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Ed Eilert Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1524, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12433 Antioch Road in Overland Park, Kansas, as the “Ed Eilert Post Office Build-

ing”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Honorable Judge George N. Leighton Post Office Building: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1542, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 695 Pleasant Street in New Bedford, Massachusetts, as the “Honorable Judge George N. Leighton Post Office Building”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Floyd Lupton Post Office: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2326, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 614 West Old County Road in Belhaven, North Carolina, as the “Floyd Lupton Post Office”, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7550, S7551**

Department of the Interior Appropriations: By a unanimous vote of 94 yeas (Vote No. 168), Senate passed H.R. 2361, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7551–97**

Adopted:

By 57 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 161), Burns Amendment No. 1068, to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a review of all third-party intentional human dosing studies to identify or quantify toxic effects. **Pages S7752–60**

By 60 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 162), Dorgan (for Boxer) Amendment No. 1023, to prohibit the use of funds by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to accept, consider, or rely on third-party intentional dosing human studies for pesticides or to conduct intentional dosing human studies for pesticides. **Pages S7552–61**

Dorgan (for Sarbanes) Amendment No. 1046, to provide for a study of the feasibility of designating the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Watertrail as a national historic trail. **Pages S7585–87**

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 165), Santorum Amendment No. 1071 (to Amendment No. 1052), to provide additional funding for medical services provided by the Veterans Health Administration. **Pages S7569–83, S7586–87**

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 166), Byrd (for Murray) Amendment No. 1052, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, for the Veterans Health Administration. **Page S7587**

Rejected:

By 39 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 164), Sununu/Bingaman Amendment No. 1026, to prohibit the use of funds to plan, design, study or construct certain forest development roads in the Tongass National Forest. **Pages S7562–67, S7568**

Withdrawn:

Kyl Amendment No. 1050, to modify the formula for the allotment of grants to States for the establishment of State water pollution control revolving funds. **Pages S7584–85**

Dorgan Amendment No. 1059, to facilitate family travel to Cuba in humanitarian circumstance.

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

By 47 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 163), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Dorgan Amendment No. 1025, to require Federal reserve banks to transfer certain surplus funds to the general fund of the Treasury, to be used for the provision of Indian health care services. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment would provide spending in excess of the subcommittee's 302(b) allocation was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S7561–62, S7567–68**

By 60 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 167), two-thirds of those Senators voting, a quorum being present, not having voted in the affirmative, the motion to suspend paragraph 4 of Rule XVI to consider Dorgan Amendment No. 1059, to facilitate family travel to Cuba in humanitarian circumstance, was not agreed to. Subsequently, the Chair sustained a point of order against the amendment, as being in violation of Rule XVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate which prohibits legislation on appropriations matters, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S7583–84, S7585, S7587, S7588**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Burns, Stevens, Cochran, Domenici, Bennett, Gregg, Craig, Allard, Dorgan, Byrd, Leahy, Reid, Feinstein, Mikulski, and Kohl. **Page S7644**

CAFTA Implementation: By 61 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 169), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1307, to implement the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, and Senate then began consideration of the bill. **Pages S7598–S7605**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9 a.m. on Thursday, June 30, 2005, provided that there

then be 16 hours of debate remaining under the statute with the time equally divided; further, that the time on the Democratic side be divided with 5 hours under the control of Senator Dorgan and 3 hours under the control of Senator Baucus. **Page S7644**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report, pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, an executive order that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, amending Executive Order 12938 and Executive Order 13094 of July 28, 1998 by blocking property of weapons of mass destruction proliferators and their supporters; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-16) **Pages S7611–12**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

A.J. Eggenberger, of Montana, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2009.

Keith E. Eastin, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Kim Kendrick, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Patrick M. O'Brien, of Minnesota, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, Department of the Treasury.

Robert M. Kimmitt, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

Karen P. Hughes, of Texas, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy, with the rank of Ambassador.

Kristen Silverberg, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Organization Affairs).

Robert A. Mosbacher, of Texas, to be President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

James Cain, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to Denmark.

Julie L. Myers, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

Ronald E. Meisburg, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for a term of four years.

Terrell Halaska, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Department of Education.

Peter Schaumber, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for a term of five years expiring August 27, 2010.

John O. Agwunobi, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general

5 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Ronald E. Meisburg, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2008, which was sent to the Senate on January 24, 2005.

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Record Votes: Nine record votes were taken today. (Total—169) Pages S7560, S7561, S7568, S7587, S7588, S7597, S7598

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:41 p.m. until 9 a.m., on Thursday, June 30, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S7644–45.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs approved for full Committee consideration proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of State and foreign operations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of General Peter Pace, USMC, for reappointment to the grade of gen-

eral and to be Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, who was introduced by Senator Nelson (FL), Admiral Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, who was introduced by Senator Clinton, General T. Michael Moseley, USAF, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Chief of Staff of the Air Force, who was introduced by Senator Cornyn, Eric S. Edelman, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, who was introduced by Senator Allen, Daniel R. Stanley, of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs, who was introduced by Senator Roberts and former Senator Bob Dole, and James A. Rispoli, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

GUANTANAMO BAY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing regarding detention operations and interrogation procedures at Guantanamo Bay from Brigadier General Jay Hood, USA, Commanding General, Joint Task Force—Guantanamo Bay.

SEVERE WEATHER

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Disaster Prevention and Prediction concluded a hearing to examine national weather service issues, focusing on the Federal role in researching, forecasting, and warning the public about hurricanes and tornadoes, after receiving testimony from Max Mayfield, Director, Tropical Prediction Center/National Hurricane Center, and Dennis McCarthy, Director, Office of Climate, Water, and Weather Services, both of the National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Asbury H. Sallenger, Jr., Oceanographer, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Doug Ahlberg, Lancaster County Emergency Management, Lincoln, Nebraska; Bill Walsh, WCSC Live 5 News, Charleston, South Carolina; Marc L. Levitan, Louisiana State University Hurricane Center, Baton Rouge, on behalf of the American Association for Wind Engineering; and Timothy A. Reinhold, Institute for Business and Home Safety, Tampa, Florida.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S. 1307, to implement the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement; and

S.J. Res. 18, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003.

MEDICAID

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine problems that threaten the long term sustainability of Medicaid, focusing on the incidence of Medicaid waste, fraud and abuse, including pharmaceutical pricing schemes perpetrated against state Medicaid programs, receiving testimony from Timothy J. Coleman, Senior Counsel to the Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; Robert A. Vito, Regional Inspector General for Evaluation and Inspections, Philadelphia, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services; Patrick J. O'Connell, Texas Office of the Attorney General, Austin; Paul J. Pickerell, Oregon Department of Human Services, Eugene; Julie Stone-Axelrad, Analyst in Social Legislation, Domestic Social Policy Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Marjorie E. Powell, Pharmaceutical Research Manufacturers of America, and Judith Feder, Georgetown University Public Policy Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Joyce Ruddock, MetLife Insurance, Westport, Connecticut, on behalf of the American Council of Life Insurers; Daniel K. O'Brien, Erickson Retirement Communities, and Ruth C. Pundt, both of Parkville, Maryland; and Beatrice Manning, Stow, Massachusetts.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

U.S. PASSPORT FRAUD

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine vulnerabilities in the United States passport system, focusing on how passport fraud is committed, what key fraud detection challenges the State Department faces, and what effect new passport examiner performance standards could have on fraud detection, after receiving testimony from Jess T. Ford, Director, International Affairs and Trade, Government Accountability Office; Michael L. Johnson, Former Special Agent in Charge (Miami Field Office), Diplomatic Security Service, and Frank E. Moss, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Passport Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs, both of the Department of State; Donna A. Bucella, Director, Terrorist Screening Center, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; and Thomas E. Bush III, Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1317, to provide for the collection and maintenance of cord blood units for the treatment of patients and research, and to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Bone Marrow and Cord Blood Cell Transplantation Program to increase the number of transplants for recipients suitable matched to donors of bone marrow and cord blood, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nomination of Tom Luce, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S.J. Res. 15, to acknowledge a long history of official depredations and ill-conceived policies by the United States Government regarding Indian tribes and offer an apology to all Native Peoples on behalf of the United States;

S. 374, to provide compensation to the Lower Brule and Crow Creek Sioux Tribes of South Dakota for damage to tribal land caused by Pick-Sloan projects along the Missouri River;

S. 113, to modify the date as of which certain tribal land of the Lytton Rancheria of California is deemed to be held in trust;

S. 881, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam;

S. 449, to facilitate shareholder consideration of proposals to make Settlement Common Stock under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act available to missed enrollees, eligible elders, and eligible persons born after December 18, 1971;

H.R. 797, to amend the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 and other Acts to improve housing programs for Indians;

H.R. 680, to direct the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land held in trust for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah to the City of Richfield, Utah;

S. 598, to reauthorize provisions in the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 relating to Native Hawaiian low-income housing and Federal loan guarantees for Native Hawaiian housing;

S. 1291, to provide for the acquisition of subsurface mineral interests in land owned by the Pascua Yaqui Tribe and land held in trust for the Tribe;

S. 1295, to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to provide for accountability and funding of the National Indian Gaming Commission;

S. 1239, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to permit the Indian Health Service, an Indian tribe, a tribal organization, or an urban Indian organization to pay the monthly part D premium of eligible Medicare beneficiaries;

S. 1231, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to modify provisions relating to the National Fund for Excellence in American Indian Education, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1312, to amend a provision relating to employees of the United States assigned to, or employed by, an Indian tribe, and

S. 731, to recruit and retain more qualified individuals to teach in Tribal Colleges or Universities, with an amendment.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 26 public bills, H.R. 3100–3125; 1 private bill, H.R. 3126; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 56; H. Con. Res. 195; and H. Res. 344, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 345, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 109–159); and

H. Res. 346, providing for consideration of H.R. 2864, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States (H. Rept. 109–160).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Latham to act as speaker pro tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. Michael O. Canady, Director, Missions and Ministries Division, Louisiana Baptist Convention in Alexandria, Louisiana.

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Private Calendar: On the call of the Private calendar, the House passed H.R. 432, to require the Secretary of the Interior to permit continued occupancy and use of certain lands and improvements within Rocky Mountain National Park.

Pages H5365–66

Amending the Communications Satellite Act of 1962: S. 1282, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to strike the privatization criteria for INTELSAT separated entities, remove certain re-

strictions on separated and successor entities to INTELSAT—clearing the measure for the President.

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

TANF Extension Act of 2005: H.R. 3021, amended, to reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program through September 30, 2005.

Pages H5372–76

Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, The Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 2006: The House began consideration of H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006. Further consideration will continue tomorrow, June 30.

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Agreed in the House to the Knollenberg amendment correcting an error in the dollar amount on page 176 line 26 of the bill.

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Agreed to:

Knollenberg amendment that increases funding for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation; increases funding for Tax Law Enforcement for the IRS; and increases funding for the Community Development Fund;

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LaTourette amendment that increases funding for Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (agreed to limit the time for debate);

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Velázquez amendment that increases funding for Lead Hazard Reduction; **Pages H5397–99**

Knollenberg amendment that increases funding for Operations of the FAA; **Page H5399**

Gary Miller of California amendment (No. 9 printed in the Congressional Record of June 28) that increases funding for the Community Development Fund; **Pages H5419–21**

Corrine Brown of Florida amendment that strikes a provision relating to Amtrak routes funded under Grants to National Railroad Passenger Corporation (by a recorded vote of 269 ayes to 152 noes, Roll No. 336);

Pages H5403–08, H5432–33 (continued next issue)

Al Green of Texas amendment (No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of June 27) that increases funding for Fair Housing Activities (by a recorded vote of 231 ayes to 191 noes, Roll No. 338);

Pages H5417–19 (continued next issue)

Nadler amendment that increases funding for Public and Indian Housing, Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (by a recorded vote of 225 ayes to 194 noes, Roll No. 339);

Pages H5422–27 (continued next issue)

Davis of Alabama amendment that adds a new section regarding Revitalization of Severely Distressed Public Housing (agreed to limit the time for debate) (by a recorded vote of 248 ayes to 173 noes, Roll No. 340); **Pages H5429–32 (continued next issue)**

Nadler amendment that increases funding for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDs;

(See next issue.)

Maloney amendment (No. 8 printed in the Congressional Record of June 28), as modified, that increases funding for the White House Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board; **(See next issue.)**

Hooley of Oregon amendment that increases funding for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program (by a recorded vote of 315 ayes to 103 noes, Roll No. 343); and **(See next issue.)**

Souder amendment (No. 17 printed in the Congressional Record of June 28) that increases funding for Federal Drug Control Programs (by a recorded vote of 268 ayes to 151 noes, Roll No. 344).

(See next issue.)

Rejected:

Kennedy of Minnesota amendment that sought to increase funding for Homeless Assistance Grants (by a recorded vote of 59 ayes to 362 noes, Roll No. 337); **Pages H5408–12 (continued next issue)**

Waters amendment that sought to increase funding for the Community Development Fund;

(See next issue.)

King of Iowa amendment that sought to reduce funding for salaries and expenses for the U.S. Su-

preme Court (by a recorded vote of 42 ayes to 374 noes, Roll No. 341); and **(See next issue.)**

Herseth amendment that sought to increase funding for salaries and expenses for Courts of Appeals, District Courts, and Other Judicial Services (by a recorded vote of 188 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 342).

(See next issue.)

Withdrawn:

Gingrey amendment (No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of June 27) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit the use of funds to provide assistance under the community development block grant program for any private economic development project involving the obtaining of property by eminent domain;

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Kilpatrick amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to strike a provision in Title III, regarding Public and Indian Housing, and inserts new provisions; and **Pages H5428–29**

Shuster amendment (No. 13 printed in the Congressional Record of June 29) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding for the Federal Buildings Fund of GSA.

(See next issue.)

Point of Order sustained against:

Edwards of Texas amendment that sought to add a new title to the bill to provide funding for the Veterans Health Administration; **Pages H5385–86**

Provision of the bill beginning with the word “to” on page 5 line 25 through the word “Fund” on line 26, regarding Payments to Air Carriers derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund; **Page H5397**

Poe amendment (No. 12 printed in the Congressional Record of June 28) that sought to increase funding for Federal Aviation Administration Operations; **Pages H5399–H5400**

Section beginning with the word “for” on page 11 line 22 through the word “Code” on page 12 line 1, regarding Grants-In-Aid for Airports; **Page H5400**

Section beginning with the word “provides” on page 12 line 12 through the word “program” on line 17, regarding Grants-In-Aid for Airports;

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Section beginning with the words “not withstanding” on page 16 line 8 through line 17, regarding Federal-Aid Highways; **Page H5401**

Section 110 regarding Administrative Provisions for the Federal Housing Administration; **Page H5402**

Section 112 regarding a Bypass Bridge at Hoover Dam; **Page H5402**

Provision in section 130 beginning with the words “provided further” on page 28 line 15 through page 29 line 2, regarding Administrative Provisions of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; **Page H5403**

Provision beginning with the words “provided further” on page 32 line 25 through page 33 line 3, regarding Administrative Expenses for the Federal Transit Administration; **Page H5415**

The phrase “not withstanding any other provision of law” on page 34 line 4, regarding the Highway Trust Fund; **Page H5415**

Section 151 regarding Administrative Provisions for the Federal Transit Administration; **Page H5415**

Section 218 under Administrative Provisions in the Department of the Treasury, regarding the submission of a report to the Committees on Appropriations; **Page H5422**

Section 808 regarding the Buy America Act.

(See next issue.)

H. Res. 342, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to yesterday, June 28.

(See next issue.)

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he reported that he issued an Executive Order that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency regarding proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and the means of delivering them—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 109–38). **(See next issue.)**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today will appear in the next issue of the Record.

Senate Referrals: S. 571, S. 775, and S. 904 were referred to the Committee on Government Reform. **Page H5433**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5432–33 (continued next issue). There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12 midnight.

Committee Meetings

GUANTANAMO BAY—DETAINEE OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on detainee operations at Guantanamo Bay. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: BG Jay Hood, USA, Commander; CSM Anthony Mendez, USA, Joint Detention Group; and CDR Cary Ostergaard, USN, Detainee Hospital Commander, all with the Joint Task Force Guantanamo.

SMALL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces and the Subcommittee on Projection Forces held a joint hearing on Small Busi-

ness Technologies. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Naval Academy, Department of the Navy: Dolores M. Etter, Distinguished Chair in Science and Technology, Electrical Engineering Department; and ENS Bradford L. Bonney, USN, Electrical Engineering Department.

PENSION PROTECTION ACT OF 2005

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Began markup of H.R. 2830, Pension Protection Act of 2005.

Will continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2491, International Solid Waste Importation and Management Act of 2005; H.R. 1065, amended, United States Boxing Commission Act; and H.R. 3084, Drug Free Sports Act.

CREDIT RATING AGENCY DUOPOLY

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Legislative Solutions for the Rating Agency Duopoly.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NEXT GENERATION INTERNET IPv6

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “To Lead or To Follow: The Next Generation Internet and the Transition to IPv6.” Testimony was heard from Karen Evans, Administrator, Electronic Government and Information Technology, OMB; the following officials of the GAO: David Powner, Director, Information Technology Management Issues; and Keith Rhodes, Chief Technologist and Director, Center for Technology and Engineering; George G. Wauer, Director, Architecture and Interoperability, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Networks and Information Integration and Office of the Chief Information Officer, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

NARCO-TERRORIST HIGH SEAS ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing entitled “Interrupting Narco-terrorist Threats on the High Seas: Do We Have Enough Wind in Our Sails?” Testimony was heard from Ralph Utley, Acting United States Interdiction Coordinator, Office of National Drug Control Policy; the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: ADM Dennis Sirois, USCG, Assistant Commandant for Operations, U.S. Coast Guard; and Charles E. Stallworth II, Acting Assistant Commissioner, Office of Air and Marine Operations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; ADM Jeffrey J.

Hathaway, Director, Joint Interagency Task Force South, Department of Defense; and Thomas M. Harrigan, Chief of Enforcement Operations, DEA, Department of Justice.

NEXT GENERATION OF NUCLEAR POWER

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy and Resources held a hearing entitled “The Next Generation of Nuclear Power.” Testimony was heard from Robert Shane Johnson, Acting Director, Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

YUCCA MOUNTAIN PROJECT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization held a hearing entitled “Yucca Mountain Project: Digging for the Truth.” Testimony was heard from Joseph Hevesi, Scientist, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and W. John Arthur III, Deputy Director, Office of Repository Development, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy.

AIR PASSENGER PRE-SCREENING

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection, and Cybersecurity held a hearing entitled “Improving Pre-Screening of Aviation Passengers against Terrorist and Other Watch Lists.” Testimony was heard from Justin Oberman, Assistant Administrator, Secure Flight and Registered Traveler, Department of Homeland Security; former Representative John B. Anderson, State of Illinois; and public witnesses.

HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENT—MISSION-BASED BUDGETING

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight held a hearing entitled “Transforming the Department of Homeland Security Through Mission-based Budgeting.” Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, GAO; and public witnesses.

527 REFORM ACT OF 2005

Committee on House Administration: Ordered reported, as amended, without recommendation H.R. 513, 527 Reform Act of 2005.

GLOBAL WATER CRISIS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on The Global Water Crisis: Evaluating U.S. Strategies to Enhance Access to Safe Water and Sanitation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: John F. Turner, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Oceans and International Envi-

ronmental Scientific Affairs; and Jackee Schafer, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade, U.S. Agency for International Development; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also held a briefing on this subject. The Subcommittee was briefed by Vanessa Tobin, Chief, Water Environment Sanitation Section, United Nations Children’s Fund; and Olav Kjørven, Director, Energy and Environment Group, Bureau for Development Policy, United Nations Development Program.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS; IRAQ’S TRANSITION TO DEMOCRACY

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Con. Res. 187, amended, Expressing the sense of Congress concerning Uzbekistan; and H. Res. 343, Commending the State of Kuwait for granting women certain important political rights.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Iraq’s Transition to Democracy. Testimony was heard from Richard Jones, Senior Advisor to the Secretary and Coordinator for Iraq, Department of State.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.R. 611, amended, Haiti Economic and Infrastructure Reconstruction Act; H.R. 953, Social Investment and Economic Development Fund for the Americas Act of 2005; and H. Con. Res. 175, Acknowledging African descendants of the transatlantic slave trade in all of the Americas with an emphasis on descendants in Latin America and the Caribbean, recognizing the injustices suffered by these African descendants, and recommending that the United States and the international community work to improve the situation of Afro-descendant communities in Latin America and the Caribbean.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 184, amended, Controlled Substances Export Reform Act of 2005; H.R. 869, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to lift the patient limitation on prescribing drug addiction treatments by medical practitioners in group practices; H.R. 3020, United States Parole Commission Extension and Sentencing Commission Authority Act of 2005; and H.R. 1442, amended, To complete the codification of title 46, United States Code “Shipping,” as positive law.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2005

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a structured rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 2864, Water Resources Development Act of 2005, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report may be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony from Representatives Duncan, Flake, Oberstar, Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Blumenauer and Stupak.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing that suspensions will be in order at any time on the legislative day of Thursday, June 30, 2005. The rule provides that the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or her designee on any suspension considered under the rule. The rule provides that it shall be in order, any rule of the House to the contrary notwithstanding, to consider concurrent resolutions providing for adjournment of the House and Senate during the month of July.

U.S. NANOTECHNOLOGY

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Research held a hearing on Nanotechnology: Where Does the U.S. Stand? Testimony was heard from Floyd Kvamme, Co-Chair, President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology; and public witnesses.

NASA AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2005

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 3070, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2005.

GENETICALLY MODIFIED CROPS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Agriculture and Technology held a hearing entitled "Different Applications for Genetically Modified Crops." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—MARITIME TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held an oversight hearing on the Implementation of the Maritime Transportation Security Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security: RADM Craig E. Bone, USCG, Director, Port Security, U.S. Coast Guard; and Robert Jacksta, Executive Director, Border Security and Facilitation, Office of Field Operations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

OVERSIGHT—VETERANS TRANSITION PROGRAMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held an oversight hearing on the Transition Assistance Program and the Disabled Transition Assistance Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: MG Ronald G. Young, Director, National Guard Bureau Joint Staff; and Craig W. Duehring, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Reserve Affairs; Judith Caden, Director, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; John M. McWilliam, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Operations and Management, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; Cynthia Bascetta, Director, Veterans' Health and Benefits Issues, GAO; a representative of a veterans' organization; and a public witness.

PRISON INMATES TAX FRAUD

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing to Examine Tax Fraud Committed by Prison Inmates. Testimony was heard from Representatives Davis of Florida, Keller and Feeny; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Nancy J. Jardini, Chief, Criminal Investigation, IRS; and J. Russell George, Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration; John M.

Moriarty, Inspector General, Department of Criminal Justice, State of Texas; and Jeff Bentley, Criminal Investigator, Department of Corrections, State of South Carolina; and a public witness.

Joint Meetings

UZBEKISTAN CRISIS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission concluded a hearing to examine the ongoing crisis in Uzbekistan and its implications for the United States, after receiving testimony from Muhammed Salih, ERK Democratic Party of Uzbekistan, and Galima Bukharbaeva, Institute for War and Peace Reporting, both of Tashkent, Uzbekistan; Holly Cartner, Human Rights Watch, and Robert Templer, International Crisis Group, both of Washington, D.C.; and Marcus Bensmann, Neue Zuercher Zeitung, Germany.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to mark up H.R. 3057, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, 2 p.m., SD-116.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the status of the U.S. Army and U.S. Marine Corps in fighting the global war on terrorism, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Technology, Innovation, and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine how information technology can reduce medical errors, lower healthcare costs, and improve the quality of patient care, including the importance of developing interoperable electronic medical records and highlight new technologies that will impact how health services are provided in the future, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Taxation and IRS Oversight, to hold hearings to examine savings and investment issues, 2 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine challenges of the Middle East road map, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Education and Early Childhood Development, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to American history, 3 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider the nominations of James B. Letten, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana, and Rod J. Rosenstein, to be United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, both of the Department of Justice, S. 1088, to establish streamlined procedures for collateral review of mixed petitions, amendments, and defaulted

claims, proposed Personal Data Privacy and Security Act of 2005, S. 751, to require Federal agencies, and persons engaged in interstate commerce, in possession of data containing personal information, to disclose any unauthorized acquisition of such information, S. 1326, to require agencies and persons in possession of computerized data containing sensitive personal information, to disclose security breaches where such breach poses a significant risk of identity theft, S. 155, to increase and enhance law enforcement resources committed to investigation and prosecution of violent gangs, to deter and punish violent gang crime, to protect law-abiding citizens and communities from violent criminals, to revise and enhance criminal penalties for violent crimes, to reform and facilitate prosecution of juvenile gang members who commit violent crimes, to expand and improve gang prevention programs, S. 103, to respond to the illegal production, distribution, and use of methamphetamine in the United States, S. 1086, to improve the national program to register and monitor individuals who commit crimes against children or sex offenses, S. 956, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide assured punishment for violent crimes against children, committee rules of procedures for the 109th Congress, and other committee matters, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship, to hold hearings to examine securing the cooperation of participating countries relating to the need for comprehensive immigration reform, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

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

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine the importance of prevention in curing Medicare, 10 a.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to continue markup of H.R. 2830, Pension Protection Act of 2005, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing on H.R. 3043, Zero Downpayment Pilot Program Act of 2005, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing entitled "The Next Flu Pandemic: Evaluating U.S. Readiness," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up the following: H.R. 611, Haiti Economic and Infrastructure Reconstruction Act; H.R. 2017, Torture Victims Relief Reauthorization Act of 2005; H.R. 3100, East Asia Security Act of 2005; H. Con. Res. 140, Recognizing and affirming the efforts of the Great Lakes Governors and Premiers in developing a common standard for decisions relating to withdrawal of water from the Great Lakes and urging that management authority over the Great Lakes should remain vested with the Governors and Premiers; H. Con. Res. 168, Condemning the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for the abductions and continued captivity of

citizens of the Republic of Korea and Japan as acts of terrorism and gross violations of human rights; H. Con. Res. 175, Acknowledging African descendants of the transatlantic slave trade in all of the Americas with an emphasis on descendants in Latin America and the Caribbean, recognizing the injustices suffered by these African descendants, and recommending that the United States and the international community work to improve the situation of Afro-descendant communities in Latin America and the Caribbean; H. Con. Res. 187, Expressing the sense of Congress concerning Uzbekistan; H. Con. Res. 191, Commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the conclusion of the war in the Pacific and honoring veterans of both the Pacific and Atlantic theaters of the Second World War; H. Res. 328, Recognizing the 25th anniversary of the workers' strikes in Poland in 1980 that led to the establishment of the Solidarity Trade Union; H. Res. 333, Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Weekend of Prayer and Reflection for Darfur, Sudan; and H. Res. 343, Commending the State of Kuwait for granting women certain important political rights, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations, hearing on The G8 Summit and Africa's Development, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Terrorism and Nonproliferation, hearing on Nonproliferation and the G-8, 2:30 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3060, Terrorist Death Penalty Enhancement Act of 2005; and H.R. 3035, Streamlined Procedures Act; and to mark up H.R. 1751, Secure Access to Justice and Court Protection Act of 2005, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, oversight hearing entitled "Immigration Removal Procedures Implemented in the Aftermath of the September 11th Attacks," 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing entitled "The Vast North American Resource Potential of Oil Shale, Oil Sands, and Heavy Oils—Part 2," 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, oversight hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs' necessity to reprogram \$1 billion to the medical services account in Fiscal Years 2005 and its implication for Fiscal Year 2006, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up H.R. 3045, Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, Briefing on Global Updates, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9 a.m., Thursday, June 30

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, June 30

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 1307, CAFTA Implementation Act. Also, Senate expects to consider certain appropriations bills when available.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Complete consideration of H.R. 3058, Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, The Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 2006. Begin consideration of H.R. 2864, Water Resources Development Act of 2005 (subject to a rule).

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