

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S3851–S3931*

**Measures Introduced:** Eleven bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2690–2700, S. Res. 459–461, and S. Con. Res. 92. **Pages S3893–94**

#### Measures Passed:

**Jefferson Public Service Awards:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 461, supporting and commending the supporters of the Jefferson Awards for Public Service for encouraging all citizens of the United States to embark on a life of public service and recognizing those citizens who have already performed extraordinary deeds for their community and country.

**Pages S3916–17**

**Presidential Medal of Freedom to Satchel Paige:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 91, expressing the sense of Congress that the President should posthumously award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Leroy Robert “Satchel” Paige, and the resolution was then agreed to.

**Pages S3917–18**

**Greater Washington Soap Box Derby:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 349, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby.

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**Lung Cancer Mortality Reduction:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 408, expressing the sense of the Senate that the President should declare lung cancer a public health priority and should implement a comprehensive interagency program that will reduce lung cancer mortality by at least 50 percent by 2015, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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**Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Amendments:** Senate passed S. 1003, to amend the Act of December 22, 1974, after agreeing to the committee amendments, and the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S3918–30**

Ensign (for McCain) Amendment No. 3858, in the nature of a substitute.

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Ensign (for McCain) Amendment No. 3859 (to Amendment No. 3858), to modify a provision relating to the authorization of appropriations.

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**Emergency Supplemental Appropriations:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S3858–90**

#### Adopted:

Domenici/Reid Amendment No. 3769, to provide additional construction funding for levee improvements in the New Orleans metropolitan area, gulf coast restoration.

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Cochran (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 3789, to ensure states impacted by Hurricane Rita are treated equally with regard to cost-share adjustments for damage resulting from that hurricane.

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Vitter/Landrieu Modified Amendment No. 3626, to increase the limits on community disaster loans.

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Lott/Dodd Amendment No. 3727, to provide funding for the Election Assistance Commission to make discretionary payments to States affected by Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes during the 2005 season.

**Pages S3870–72**

Vitter Modified Amendment No. 3627, to designate the areas affected by Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita as HUBZones and to waive the Small Business Competitive Demonstration Program Act of 1988 for the areas affected by Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita.

**Pages S3858, S3873**

Salazar Amendment No. 3736, to provide funding for critical National Forest System projects to address the consequences of Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season, reduce the risk of catastrophic fires, and mitigate the effects of widespread insect infestations throughout the National Forest System.

**Pages S3878–79**

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 106), Obama Amendment No. 3810, to provide that none of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for hurricane relief and recovery contracts

exceeding \$500,000 that are awarded using procedures other than competitive procedures.

**Pages S3879–80**

Rejected:

By 40 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 104), McCain/Ensign Amendment No. 3617, to strike a provision providing \$6 million to sugarcane growers in Hawaii, which was not included in the Administration's emergency supplemental request.

**Pages S3858, S3860–63**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 105), Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division IV), relative to Navy shipbuilding cost adjustments.

**Pages S3858, S3864–69**

Withdrawn:

Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division V), relative to highway emergency relief funds.

**Pages S3858, S3873**

Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division VI), relative to shrimp and reef fish fisheries.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division VII), relative to AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division VIII), relative to the procurement of V-22 aircraft.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division IX), relative to the American River (Common Features) project in California.

**Pages S3858, S3874**

Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division X), relative to fishing vessels with logbooks to record haul-by-haul catch data.

**Pages S3858, S3874**

Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XI), relative to the Armed Forces Retirement Home.

**Pages S3858, S3874–75, S3876–78**

Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XII), relative to off-shore shrimp and reef fishery with electronic vessel monitoring systems.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XIII), relative to New England red tide outbreak assistance.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XIV), relative to the South Sacramento Streams project in California.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XV), relative to temporary marine services centers.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XVI), relative to the replacement of private fisheries infrastructure.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XVII), relative to the employment of fishers and vessel owners.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XVIII), relative to the replacement of damaged fishing gear.

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Pending:

McCain/Ensign Amendment No. 3616, to strike a provision that provides \$74.5 million to states based on their production of certain types of crops, live-stock and/or dairy products, which was not included in the Administration's emergency supplemental request.

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McCain/Ensign Amendment No. 3618, to strike \$15 million for a seafood promotion strategy that was not included in the Administration's emergency supplemental request.

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McCain/Ensign Amendment No. 3619, to strike the limitation on the use of funds for the issuance or implementation of certain rulemaking decisions related to the interpretation of "actual control" of airlines.

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Warner Amendment No. 3620, to repeal the requirement for 12 operational aircraft carriers within the Navy.

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Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XIX), relative to the construction of the Sacramento River-bank Protection Project in California.

**Pages S3858, S3880–86**

Vitter Modified Amendment No. 3628, to base the allocation of hurricane disaster relief and recovery funds to States on need and physical damages.

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Wyden Amendment No. 3665, to prohibit the use of funds to provide royalty relief for the production of oil and natural gas.

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Santorum Modified Amendment No. 3640, to increase by \$12,500,000 the amount appropriated for the Broadcasting Board of Governors, to increase by \$12,500,000 the amount appropriated for the Department of State for the Democracy Fund, to provide that such funds shall be made available for democracy programs and activities in Iran, and to provide an offset.

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Salazar/Baucus Amendment No. 3645, to provide funding for critical hazardous fuels and forest health projects to reduce the risk of catastrophic fires and mitigate the effects of widespread insect infestations.

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Vitter Amendment No. 3668, to provide for the treatment of a certain Corps of Engineers project.

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Burr Amendment No. 3713, to allocate funds to the Smithsonian Institution for research on avian influenza.

**Pages S3859, S3875–76**

Coburn (for Obama/Coburn) Amendment No. 3693, to reduce wasteful spending by limiting to the

reasonable industry standard the spending for administrative overhead allowable under Federal contracts and subcontracts. **Page S3859**

Coburn (for Obama/Coburn) Amendment No. 3694, to improve accountability for competitive contracting in hurricane recovery by requiring the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to approve contracts awarded without competitive procedures. **Page S3859**

Coburn (for Obama/Coburn) Amendment No. 3695, to improve financial transparency in hurricane recovery by requiring the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to make information about Federal contracts publicly available. **Page S3859**

Coburn (for Obama/Coburn) Amendment No. 3697, to improve transparency and accountability by establishing a Chief Financial Officer to oversee hurricane relief and recovery efforts. **Page S3859**

Menendez Amendment No. 3675, to provide additional appropriations for research, development, acquisition, and operations by the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, for the purchase of container inspection equipment for developing countries, for the implementation of the Transportation Worker Identification Credential program, and for the training of Customs and Border Protection officials on the use of new technologies. **Page S3859**

Murray (for Harkin) Amendment No. 3714, to increase by \$8,500,000 the amount appropriated for Economic Support Fund assistance, to provide that such funds shall be made available to the United States Institute of Peace for programs in Iraq and Afghanistan, and to provide an offset. **Page S3859**

Conrad/Clinton Amendment No. 3715, to offset the costs of defense spending in the supplemental appropriation. **Page S3859**

Levin Amendment No. 3710, to require reports on policy and political developments in Iraq. **Page S3859**

Schumer/Reid Amendment No. 3723, to appropriate funds to address price gouging and market manipulation and to provide for a report on oil industry mergers. **Page S3859**

Schumer Amendment No. 3724, to improve maritime container security. **Page S3859**

Murray (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 3716, to provide funds to promote democracy in Iraq. **Page S3859**

Murray (for Kennedy) Modified Amendment No. 3688, to provide funding to compensate individuals harmed by pandemic influenza vaccine. **Page S3859**

Cornyn Amendment No. 3722, to provide for immigration injunction reform. **Page S3859**

Cornyn Amendment No. 3699, to establish a floor to ensure that States that contain areas that were adversely affected as a result of damage from the 2005

hurricane season receive at least 3.5 percent of funds set aside for the CDBG program. **Page S3859**

Cornyn Amendment No. 3672, to require that the Secretary of Labor give priority for national emergency grants to States that assist individuals displaced by Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. **Page S3859**

Murray (for Byrd) Amendment No. 3708, to provide additional amounts for emergency management performance grants. **Page S3859**

Thune Amendment No. 3704, to provide, with an offset, \$20,000,000 for the Department of Veterans Affairs for Medical Facilities. **Pages S3873–74**

Menendez Amendment No. 3777, to fund a United Nations Peacekeeping force in Darfur and to address the shortfall in the United States Contributions to the United Nations for international peacekeeping missions in 13 countries. **Pages S3886–88**

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

By 92 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 103), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Pages S3859–60**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, May 3, 2006, with 1 hour for debate, followed by a vote on Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XIX), listed above, with no amendments in order to the division prior to the vote; provided further, that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the time consumed in the adjournment count against the 30 hours for consideration of the measure under rule XXII. **Page S3930**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Sheila C. Bair, of Kansas, to be Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for a term of five years.

Sheila C. Bair, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for a term expiring July 15, 2013.

Sheila C. Bair, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for the remainder of the term expiring July 15, 2007. **Page S3931**

**Measures Read First Time:** **Page S3891**

**Enrolled Bills Presented:** **Page S3891**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S3896–S3903**

**Additional Statements:** Pages S3890–91  
**Amendments Submitted:** Pages S3903–15  
**Authorities for Committees to Meet:**  
 Pages S3915–16

**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—106) Pages S3859–60, S3862–63, S3869, S3880

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 3, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3930.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### FARM BILL: PEANUT PROVISIONS

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the implementation of the peanut provisions of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, after receiving testimony from Floyd Gaibler, Deputy Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm and Foreign Agriculture Services; Stanley M. Fletcher, University of Georgia, Griffin, on behalf of the National Center for Peanut Competitiveness; Evans J. Plowden, Jr., American Peanut Shellers Association, Inc., Albany, Georgia; and Gary Rasor, American Peanut Product Manufacturers, Inc., Rittman, Ohio.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007.

### LINE-ITEM RESCISSION AUTHORITY

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2381, to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide line-item rescission authority, after receiving testimony from Senator Byrd; Austin Smythe, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Management and Budget; Donald B. Marron, Acting Director, Congressional Budget Office; Louis Fisher, Specialist at the Law Library, Library of Congress; and Charles J. Cooper, Cooper and Kirk, PLLC, Washington, D.C.

### BUDGET: NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science and Space concluded a hearing to examine fiscal year 2007 budget request, programs and science priorities of the National Science Foundation, after receiving testimony from Arden L. Bement, Jr., Director, National Science Foundation; Warren M. Washington, Chairman, National Science Board; Alan I. Leshner, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Washington, D.C.; and Jerome D. Odom, University of South Carolina Foundations, Columbia, on behalf of EPSCoR/IDeA Foundation.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2459, to improve cargo security, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 2066, to amend title 40, United States Code, to establish a Federal Acquisition Service, to replace the General Supply Fund and the Information Technology Fund with an Acquisition Services Fund, with amendments;

An original resolution thanking Joyce Rechtschaffen for her service to the Senate and to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; and

The nominations of Uttam Dhillon, of California, to be Director of the Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, and Mark D. Acton, of Kentucky, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission.

Also, committee approved a committee report entitled "Hurricane Katrina: A Nation Still Unprepared."

### FBI OVERSIGHT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee held an oversight hearing to examine the current state of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), focusing on the National Security Branch, human resources, and the Trilogy Project information technology system

and the payment of questionable contractor costs and missing assets, receiving testimony from Robert S. Mueller III, Director, FBI, and Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General, both of the Department of Justice; Linda M. Calbom, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, Government Accountability Office; and John C. Gannon, BAE Systems Information Technology, McLean, Virginia.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Sandra Segal Ikuta, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Sean F. Cox and Thomas L. Ludington, each to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, who were introduced by Senators Levin and Stabenow and Representative Camp, and Kenneth L. Wainstein, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 26 public bills, H.R. 9, 5253–5277; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 397; and H. Res. 788, 790–793, were introduced. **Pages H1979–80**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H1980–81**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Con. Res. 359, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run (H. Rept. 109–448);

S. 1736, to provide for the participation of employees in the judicial branch in the Federal leave transfer program for disasters and emergencies (H. Rept. 109–449); and

H. Res. 789, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4954) to improve maritime and cargo security through enhanced layered defenses (H. Rept. 109–450). **Pages H1978–79**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Culberson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1923**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:37 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H1924**

**Private Calendar:** On the call of the Private calendar, the House passed S. 584, to require the Secretary of the Interior to allow the continued occupancy and use of certain land and improvements within Rocky Mountain National Park—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H1924–25**

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

**Earl D. Hutto Post Office Building Designation Act:** H.R. 5107, to designate the facility of the

United States Postal Service located at 1400 West Jordan Street in Pensacola, Florida, as the “Earl D. Hutto Post Office Building”; **Pages H1927–28**

**John Paul Hammerschmidt Post Office Building Designation Act:** H.R. 4811, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 215 West Industrial Park Road in Harrison, Arkansas, as the “John Paul Hammerschmidt Post Office Building”; **Pages H1928–30**

**Governor John Anderson, Jr. Post Office Building Designation Act:** H.R. 4674, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 North Chestnut Street in Olathe, Kansas, as the “Governor John Anderson, Jr. Post Office Building”; **Pages H1930–31**

**Ronald Bucca Post Office Designation Act:** H.R. 4995, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7 Columbus Avenue in Tuckahoe, New York, as the “Ronald Bucca Post Office”; **Pages H1931–32**

**Lieutenant Michael P. Murphy Post Office Building Designation Act:** H.R. 4101, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 East Main Street in Patchogue, New York, as the “Lieutenant Michael P. Murphy Post Office Building”; **Pages H1932–33**

**Native American Technical Corrections Act of 2006:** H.R. 3351, concur in the Senate amendment, to make technical corrections to laws relating to Native Americans—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H1933–36**

**Salt Cedar and Russian Olive Control Demonstration Act:** H.R. 2720, amended, to further the purposes of the Reclamation Projects Authorization

and Adjustment Act of 1992 by directing the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to carry out an assessment and demonstration program to control salt cedar and Russian olive;  
**Pages H1936–38**

**Dana Point Desalination Project Authorization Act:** H.R. 3929, amended, to amend the Water Desalination Act of 1996 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to assist in research and development, environmental and feasibility studies, and preliminary engineering for the Municipal Water District of Orange County, California, Dana Point Desalination Project located at Dana Point, California;  
**Pages H1938–39**

**Central Texas Water Recycling Act of 2005:** H.R. 3418, amended, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Central Texas Water Recycling and Reuse Project;  
**Pages H1939–40**

**Congratulating the people and Government of Italy, the Torino Olympic Organizing Committee, the International Olympic Committee, the United States Olympic Committee, the 2006 United States Olympic Team, and all international athletes upon the successful completion of the 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Turin, Italy:** H.R. 697, amended, to congratulate the people and Government of Italy, the Torino Olympic Organizing Committee, the International Olympic Committee, the United States Olympic Committee, the 2006 United States Olympic Team, and all international athletes upon the successful completion of the 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Turin, Italy, by a yea-and-nay vote of 409 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 111;  
**Pages H1940–41, S1950**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Congratulating the people and Government of Italy, the Torino Olympic Organizing Committee, the International Olympic Committee, the United States Olympic Committee, the 2006 United States Olympic and Paralympic Teams, and all international athletes upon the successful completion of the 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Turin, Italy”.  
**Pages H1950–51**

**Recognizing the 58th anniversary of the independence of the State of Israel:** H. Con. Res. 392, amended, to recognize the 58th anniversary of the independence of the State of Israel, by a yea-and-nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 112;  
**Pages H1941–44, S1951**

**Conveying the sympathy of Congress to the families of the young women murdered in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, and encouraging increased**

**United States involvement in bringing an end to these crimes:** H. Con. Res. 90, amended, to convey the sympathy of Congress to the families of the young women murdered in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, and encouraging increased United States involvement in bringing an end to these crimes; and  
**Pages H1944–48**

**Supporting the goals and ideals of World Water Day:** H. Res. 658, amended, to support the goals and ideals of World Water Day, by a yea-and-nay vote of 397 yeas to 14 nays, Roll No. 113.  
**Pages H1948–50, H1951–52**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1970.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 1003 and S. Con. Res. 91 were held at the desk.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** 3 yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H1950, H1951, and H1951–52. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:18 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### SENIORS INDEPENDENCE ACT

**Committee on Education and the Workforce:** Subcommittee on Select Education held a hearing on the Seniors Independence Act of 2006. Testimony was heard from Josefina Carbonell, Assistant Secretary, Aging, Department of Health and Human Services; Mason Bishop, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Employment Training Administration, Department of Labor; Lt. Gov. Andre Bauer, State of South Carolina; and public witnesses.

### U.N. SANCTIONS AFTER OIL-FOR-FOOD

**Committee on Government Reform:** Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing entitled “U.N. Sanctions After Oil-for-Food: Still a Viable Diplomatic Tool?” Testimony was heard from Ambassador John R. Bolton, Permanent United States Representative to the United Nations, Department of State; Joseph A. Christoff, Director, International Affairs and Trade Team, GAO; and public witnesses.

### REDUCING VULNERABILITIES TO WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

**Committee on Homeland Security:** Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack met in executive session to receive a briefing on the Defense Science Board’s 2005 study “Reducing Vulnerabilities to Weapons of Mass Destruction.” The Subcommittee was briefed by the following Co-

Chairs of the study: Larry Lynn, Independent Consultant to the Department of Defense, member of the Defense Science Board and the Threat Reduction Advisory Council; and Robert Nesbit, Senior Vice President and General Manager, Center for Integrated Intelligence Systems, DOD C31 Federally Funded Research and Development Center.

### SAFE PORT ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 7 to 3, a structured role providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 4954, SAFE Port Act, with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Homeland Security and 20 minutes 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 Homeland Security now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Homeland Security. 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 accompanying the resolution may be offered 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 on motion to recommend with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman King of New York and Representatives Daniel E. Lungren of California, Shays Rohrabacher, Thompson of Mississippi, Loretta Sanchez of California, Markey, Christensen, Oberstar, Nadler, Stupak, Millender-McDonald, Sherman, and Weiner.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2006

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 9 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for Defense Medical Health Program, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine ways to eliminate penalties for marriage for low income families, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the Office of Compliance, Government Printing Office and Congressional Budget Office, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the Department of Commerce, 2 p.m., S-146, Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on SeaPower, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007, 9 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Airland, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007, 11:30 a.m., SR-222.

Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2007, 3:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine pool safety issues, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert F. Godec, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tunisia, and Robert S. Ford, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, 3:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* to hold hearings to examine the future of social services for older Americans, 10 a.m., SD-106.

## House

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to mark up the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007, 11:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Science, The Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies, on State Department, Public Diplomacy, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services*, to mark up H.R. 5122, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007, 10:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, hearing entitled "Building American Competitiveness: Examining the Scope and Success of Existing Federal Math and Science Programs," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, hearing on a measure to authorize the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to set passenger car fuel economy standards, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to continue hearings entitled "Digital Content and Enabling Technology: Satisfying the 21st Century Consumer," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings entitled "Sexual Exploitation of Children Over the Internet: What Parents, Kids and Congress Need To Know About Child Predators," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, hearing entitled "Protecting Investors and Fostering Efficient Markets: A Review of the S.E.C. Agenda," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, Subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats, hearing on The United States and NATO: Transformation and the Riga Summit, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4777, Internet Gambling Prohibition Act; and H.R. 5077, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (BATFE) Modernization and Reform Act; followed by a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1384, Firearm Commerce Modernization Act; and H.R. 1415, NICS Improvement Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

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**Program for Wednesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 30 minutes), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 4939, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, with a vote on Coburn Amendment No. 3641 (Division XIX) following 1 hour of debate.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
10 a.m., Wednesday, May 3

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**Program for Wednesday:** Consideration of suspensions as follows: (1) H. Res. 781—Congratulating charter schools and their students, parents, teachers, and administrators across the United States for their ongoing contributions to education; (2) H. Con. Res. 359—Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; (3) H.R. 4700—To provide for the conditional conveyance of any interest retained by the United States in St. Joseph Memorial Hall in St. Joseph, Michigan; (4) H.R. 5253—To prohibit price gouging in the sale of gasoline, diesel fuel, crude oil, and home heating oil; (5) H.R. 5254—Refinery Permit Process Schedule Act; (6) H. Con. Res. 99—Expressing the need for enhanced public awareness of traumatic brain injury and support for the designation of a National Brain Injury Awareness Month; and (7) H. Res. 245—Supporting the goals and ideals of National Nurses Week. Consideration of H.R. 4975—Lobbying Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Structured Rule).

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