

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate completed action on H.R. 2638, Department of Defense Appropriations Act/Consolidated Security, Disaster Continuing Resolution.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9891–S10023*

**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3641–3647, and S. Res. 690. **Page S10004**

#### Measures Passed:

**Capitol Visitor Center Act:** Senate passed H.R. 5159, to establish the Office of the Capitol Visitor Center within the Office of the Architect of the Capitol, headed by the Chief Executive Officer for Visitor Services, to provide for the effective management and administration of the Capitol Visitor Center, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S9881–83**

Reid (for Feinstein/Bennett) Amendment No. 5674, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9883**

**Operation and Administration of Federal Courts:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 3569, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S9879–99**

**Victims of Crime Act:** Senate passed S. 3641, to authorize funding for the National Crime Victim Law Institute to provide support for victims of crime under Crime Victims Legal Assistance Programs as a part of the Victims of Crime Act of 1984. **Pages S9899–S9900**

**National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center Commemorative Coin Act:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3229, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the legacy of the United States Army Infantry and the establishment of the National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S9900–01**

**Boy Scouts of America Centennial Commemorative Coin Act:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5872, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Boy Scouts of America, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9901**

**PRICE of Homeland Security Act:** Senate passed H.R. 6098, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve the financial assistance provided to State, local, and tribal governments for information sharing activities, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9901**

**Breast Cancer and Environmental Research Act:** Senate passed H.R. 1157, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to make grants for the development and operation of research centers regarding environmental factors that may be related to the etiology of breast cancer, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10018**

**Comprehensive Tuberculosis Elimination Act:** Senate passed H.R. 1532, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to making progress toward the goal of eliminating tuberculosis, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10018–19**

**NET 911 Improvement Act:** Senate passed H.R. 6946, to make a technical correction in the NET 911 Improvement Act of 2008, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10019**

**Arms Sales to Sudan:** Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 660, condemning ongoing sales of arms to belligerents in Sudan, including the Government of Sudan, and calling for both a cessation of such sales and an expansion of the United Nations embargo on arms sales to Sudan, and the resolution was then

agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S10019**

Landrieu (for Nelson (FL)/Inhofe) Amendment No. 5675, to improve the resolution. **Page S10019**

**National Dysphagia Awareness Month:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 195, expressing the sense of the Congress that a National Dysphagia Awareness Month should be established, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S10020**

**Conflict Between Russia and Georgia:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 690, expressing the sense of the Senate concerning the conflict between Russia and Georgia. **Page S10020**

**Feed America Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 691, designating Thursday, November 20, 2008, as "Feed America Day". **Page S10020**

**National Veterans Awareness Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 692, designating the week of November 9 through November 15, 2008, as "National Veterans Awareness Week" to emphasize the need to develop educational programs regarding the contributions of veterans to the country. **Page S10020**

**National Homeless Youth Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 693, recognizing the month of November 2008 as "National Homeless Youth Awareness Month". **Pages S10020–21**

**National Character Counts Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 694, designating the week beginning October 19, 2008, as "National Character Counts Week". **Page S10021**

#### House Messages:

**Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act/Consolidated Security, Disaster Continuing Resolution:** By 78 yeas to 12 nays (Vote No. 208), Senate concurred in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2638, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, after taking action on the following motion and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S9883–97, S9901–66**

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

By 83 yeas to 12 nays (Vote No. 207), 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 motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill. **Page S9883**

Under the previous order, the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to

the amendment of the Senate to the bill with the Whitehouse (for Reid) Amendment No. 5670 to change the enactment date, fell when cloture was invoked on the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill. **Page S9886**

Under the previous order, Whitehouse (for Reid) Amendment No. 5671 (to Amendment No. 5670), of a perfecting nature, fell when Whitehouse (for Reid) Amendment No. 5670 (listed above) fell. **Page S9886**

**National Defense Authorization Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 3001, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S9977–81**

**Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 3023, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve and enhance compensation and pension, housing, labor and education, and insurance benefits for veterans, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10016–17**

**Veterans' Mental Health and Other Care Improvements Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 2162, to improve the treatment and services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder and substance use disorders, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10017–18**

**Federal Railroad Safety Improvement Act:** Senate began consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2095, to amend title 49, United States Code, to prevent railroad fatalities, injuries, and hazardous materials releases, to authorize the Federal Railroad Safety Administration, taking action on the following motion and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S10019–20**

Senator Reid entered a motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill. **Page S10019**

Reid Amendment No. 5677 (to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill), to establish the enactment date. **Page S10019**

Reid Amendment No. 5678 (to Amendment No. 5677), of a perfecting nature. **Page S10019**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to concur in the amendment of the

House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of September 27, 2008, a vote on cloture will occur at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, September 29, 2008. **Page S10019**

A unanimous-consent time agreement was reached providing that at 12:00 noon on Monday, September 29, 2008, Senate resume consideration of the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill; that the time from 12:00 noon until 12:15 p.m. be controlled by the Republican Leader, or his designee, and the time from 12:15 p.m. until 12:30 p.m. be controlled by the Majority Leader; that at 12:30 p.m. Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to concur; and that no motion to refer be in order during the pendency of the amendment of the House. **Page S10023**

**Tributes—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the tributes to retiring Senators, that appear in the Congressional Record, be printed as a Senate document and that Senators be permitted to submit such tributes for inclusion until Friday, November 21, 2008. **Page S10022**

Messages from the House:	Pages S10001–02
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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—208)	Pages S9883, S9965
Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and recessed at 5:28 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Monday, September 29, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10023.)	

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 23 public bills, H.R. 7174–7196; and 5 Resolutions, H. Con. Res. 437–438; and H. es. 1512–1513, 1515, were introduced. **Pages H10299–H10300**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H10299**

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

H.R. 4131, to designate a portion of California State Route 91 located in Los Angeles County, California, as the “Juanita Millender-McDonald Highway” (H. Rept. 110–895);

H.R. 6589, to provide financial support for the operation of the law library of the Library of Congress, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–896, Pt. 1); and

H. Res. 1514, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 110–897). **Page H10299**

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

**Federal Protective Service Guard Contracting Reform Act of 2008:** Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3068, to prohibit the award of contracts to provide guard services under the contract security guard program of the Federal Protective Service to a business concern that is owned, controlled, or operated by an individual who has been convicted of a felony—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H10140–41**

**Repealing the provision of title 46, United States Code, requiring a license for employment in the business of salvaging on the coast of Florida:** S. 2482, to repeal the provision of title 46, United States Code, requiring a license for employment in the business of salvaging on the coast of Florida—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H10141–42**

*Integrated Deepwater Program Reform Act of 2008:* H.R. 6999, amended, to restructure the Coast Guard Integrated Deepwater Program;

Pages H10145–54

*QI Program Supplemental Funding Act of 2008:* S. 3560, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide additional funds for the qualifying individual (QI) program—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10170–76

*National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2008:* Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 6063, to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10181–95

*Charity Enhancement Act of 2008:* H.R. 7083, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to enhance charitable giving and improve disclosure and tax administration;

Pages H10196–98

*Inmate Tax Fraud Prevention Act of 2008:* H.R. 7082, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to disclose certain prisoner return information to the Federal Bureau of Prisons;

Pages H10199–H10200

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to disclose certain prisoner return information to the Federal Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes.”

Page H10200

*Presidential Historical Records Preservation Act of 2008:* S. 3477, to amend title 44, United States Code, to authorize grants for Presidential Centers of Historical Excellence—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10202–05

*Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2008:* Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2786, to reauthorize the programs for housing assistance for Native Americans—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10216–22

*Combating Child Exploitation Act of 2008:* S. 1738, to require the Department of Justice to develop and implement a National Strategy Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction, to improve the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, to increase resources for regional computer forensic labs, and to make other improvements to increase the ability of law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute child predators—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10241–51

*Debbie Smith Reauthorization Act of 2008:* Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 5057, to

reauthorize the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10255–57

*Amending title 28, United States Code, to prohibit recognition and enforcement of foreign defamation judgments:* H.R. 6146, amended, to amend title 28, United States Code, to prohibit recognition and enforcement of foreign defamation judgments;

Pages H10258–63

*Equal Justice for Our Military Act:* H.R. 3174, to amend titles 28 and 10, United States Code, to allow for certiorari review of certain cases denied relief or review by the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces;

Pages H10263–64

*Need-Based Educational Aid Act of 2008:* Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1777, to amend the Improving America’s Schools Act of 1994 to make permanent the favorable treatment of need-based educational aid under the antitrust laws—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10264–65

*Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program Act:* S. 3606, to extend the special immigrant nonminister religious worker program—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10265–66

*Extending for 5 years the program relating to waiver of the foreign country residence requirement with respect to international medical graduates:* Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 5571, to extend for 5 years the program relating to waiver of the foreign country residence requirement with respect to international medical graduates—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10266–67

*Center to Advance, Monitor, and Preserve University Security Safety Act of 2008:* H.R. 6838, to establish and operate a National Center for Campus Public Safety;

Page H10267–68

*Making improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts:* S. 3569, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10270–72

*Providing that funds allocated for community food projects for fiscal year 2008 shall remain available until September 30, 2009:* S. 3597, to provide that funds allocated for community food projects for fiscal year 2008 shall remain available until September 30, 2009—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10272–73

*Providing for the appointment of the Chief Human Capital Officer of the Department of*

*Homeland Security by the Secretary of Homeland Security:* S. 2816, to provide for the appointment of the Chief Human Capital Officer of the Department of Homeland Security by the Secretary of Homeland Security—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H10273–74

*Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the employees of the Department of Homeland Security, their partners at all levels of government, and the millions of emergency response providers and law enforcement agents nationwide should be commended for their dedicated service on the Nation's front lines in the war against acts of terrorism:* H. Res. 1429, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the employees of the Department of Homeland Security, their partners at all levels of government, and the millions of emergency response providers and law enforcement agents nationwide should be commended for their dedicated service on the Nation's front lines in the war against acts of terrorism;

Pages H10274–76

*Naval Vessel Transfer Act of 2008:* H.R. 7177, to authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign recipients; and

Pages H10276–78

*Amending section 114 of title 17, United States Code, to provide for agreements for the reproduction and performance of sound recordings by webcasters:* H.R. 7084, to amend section 114 of title 17, United States Code, to provide for agreements for the reproduction and performance of sound recordings by webcasters.

Pages H10278–81

**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

*Commending the Tennessee Valley Authority on its 75th anniversary:* H. Res. 1224, to commend the Tennessee Valley Authority on its 75th anniversary;

Pages H10137–40

*Juanita Millender-McDonald Highway Designation Act:* H.R. 4131, to designate a portion of California State Route 91 located in Los Angeles County, California, as the “Juanita Millender-McDonald Highway”;

Pages H10142–45

*Great Lakes Legacy Reauthorization Act of 2008:* Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 6460, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to provide for the remediation of sediment contamination in areas of concern;

Pages H10155–58

*Mercury Export Ban Act of 2008:* S. 906, to prohibit the sale, distribution, transfer, and export of elemental mercury;

Pages H10177–81

*Medicare Identity Theft Prevention Act of 2008:* H.R. 6600, amended, to amend title II of the Social Security Act to prohibit the inclusion of Social Security account numbers on Medicare cards;

Pages H10200–02

*Providing that claims of the United States to certain documents relating to Franklin Delano Roosevelt shall be treated as waived and relinquished in certain circumstances:* H.R. 6669, to provide that claims of the United States to certain documents relating to Franklin Delano Roosevelt shall be treated as waived and relinquished in certain circumstances;

Pages H10205–06

*Air Carriage of International Mail Act:* S. 3536, to amend section 5402 of title 39, United States Code and to modify the authority relating to United States Postal Service air transportation contracts;

Pages H10206–08

*Small Business Financing Improvements Act of 2008:* H.R. 7175, to amend the Small Business Act to improve the section 7(a) lending program;

Pages H10224–28

*Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights Act of 2008:* S. 3325, to enhance remedies for violations of intellectual property laws;

Pages H10229–38

*Drug Trafficking Vessel Interdiction Act of 2008:* S. 3598, to amend titles 46 and 18, United States Code, with respect to the operation of submersible vessels and semi-submersible vessels without nationality;

Pages H10251–54

*Extending the authority of the United States Supreme Court Police to protect court officials off the Supreme Court Grounds and change the title of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice:* S. 3296, to extend the authority of the United States Supreme Court Police to protect court officials off the Supreme Court Grounds and change the title of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice;

Pages H10254–55

*Military Personnel Citizenship Processing Act:* S. 2840, to establish a liaison with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in United States Citizenship and Immigration Services to expedite naturalization applications filed by members of the Armed Forces and to establish a deadline for processing such applications; and

Pages H10257–58

*Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Reauthorization and Improvement Act of 2008:* S. 2304, to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide grants for the improved mental health treatment and services provided to offenders with mental illnesses.

Pages H10268–70

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hoyer and Representative Van Hollen to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through the remainder of the second session of the One Hundred Tenth Congress. **Page H10164**

**Printing of the Rules and Manual of the House for the 111th Congress:** The House agreed to H. Res. 1513, providing for the printing of a revised edition of the Rules and Manual of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Eleventh Congress. **Pages H10164–65**

**Extension of Remarks:** Agreed that the chairman and ranking minority member of each standing committee and each subcommittee be permitted to extend their remarks in the Congressional Record, up to and including the Record's last publication, and to include a summary of the work of that committee or subcommittee. **Page H10165**

Also agreed that members may have until publication of the last edition of the Congressional Record authorized for the Second Session of the One Hundred Tenth Congress by the Joint Committee on Printing to revise and extend their remarks and to include brief, related extraneous material on any matter occurring before the adjournment of the Second Session sine die. **Page H10165**

**Arthritis Prevention, Control, and Cure Act of 2008:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 1283, as amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for arthritis research and public health. **Pages H10165–69**

**Paul D. Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Community Assistance, Research, and Education Amendments of 2008:** The House agreed by unanimous consent to agree to the Senate amendment to H.R. 5265, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for research with respect to various forms of muscular dystrophy, including Becker, congenital, distal, Duchenne, Emery-Dreifuss facioscapulo-humeral, limb-girdle, myotonic, and oculopharyngeal, muscular dystrophies—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H10176–77**

**Expressing support for designation of the month of October as “American Pharmacists Month”:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1437, to express support for designation of the month of October as “American Pharmacists Month” and to express the sense of the House of Representatives that all people in the United States should join in celebrating our Nation's pharmacists for their contributions to the health and well-being of our citizens. **Page H10177**

**Honoring and supporting the Hadley School for the Blind:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 875, as amended, to honor and support the Hadley School for the Blind. **Page H10195**

**Expressing support for designation of the month of October as “National Work and Family Month”:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1440, as amended, to express support for designation of the month of October as “National Work and Family Month”. **Pages H10195–96**

**Leo J. Ryan Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6982, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 210 South Ellsworth Avenue in San Mateo, California, as the “Leo J. Ryan Post Office Building”. **Page H10208**

**Congratulating the Waipio Little League baseball team for winning the 2008 Little League World Championship:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1436, to congratulate the Waipio Little League baseball team for winning the 2008 Little League World Championship. **Pages H10208–09**

**Gordon N. Chan Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6558, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1750 Lundy Avenue in San Jose, California, as the “Gordon N. Chan Post Office Building”. **Page H10209**

**CWO Richard R. Lee Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6834, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4 South Main Street in Wallingford, Connecticut, as the “CWO Richard R. Lee Post Office Building”. **Page H10209**

**Dr. Walter Carl Gordon, Jr. Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6859, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1501 South Slappey Boulevard in Albany, Georgia, as the “Dr. Walter Carl Gordon, Jr. Post Office Building”. **Page H10209**

**Supporting the goals and ideals of “National Life Insurance Awareness Month”:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1392, to support the goals and ideals of “National Life Insurance Awareness Month”. **Page H10209**

**Reverend Earl Abel Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 3082, to designate the facility

of the United States Postal Service located at 1700 Cleveland Avenue in Kansas City, Missouri, as the “Reverend Earl Abel Post Office Building”—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H10209–10**

**Honoring the memory of Robert Mondavi:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to S. Con. Res. 84, to honor the memory of Robert Mondavi. **Page H10210**

**Congratulating the 2007–2008 National Basketball Association World Champions, the Boston Celtics, on an outstanding and historic season:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 376, to congratulate the 2007–2008 National Basketball Association World Champions, the Boston Celtics, on an outstanding and historic season. **Pages H10210–11**

**Designating the third week of October as “National Estate Planning Awareness Week”:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1499, to designate the third week of October as “National Estate Planning Awareness Week”. **Page H10211**

**Harry Lee Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 5932, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2801 Manhattan Boulevard in Harvey, Louisiana, as the “Harry Lee Post Office Building”. **Page H10211**

**Recognizing the important social and economic contributions and accomplishments of the New Deal:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 360, to recognize the important social and economic contributions and accomplishments of the New Deal to our Nation on the 75th anniversary of legislation establishing the initial New Deal social and public works programs. **Pages H10211–12**

**Supporting the goals and ideals of Malaria Awareness Day:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 389, to support the goals and ideals of Malaria Awareness Day. **Page H10212**

**Judie Hammerstad Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6489, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 501 4th Street in Lake Oswego, Oregon, as the “Judie Hammerstad Post Office Building”. **Page H10212**

**Helen Berg Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6585, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 311 South-

west 2nd Street in Corvallis, Oregon, as the “Helen Berg Post Office Building”. **Pages H10212–13**

**Recognizing the 100th anniversary of The Christian Science Monitor newspaper:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1494, to recognize the 100th anniversary of The Christian Science Monitor newspaper. **Page H10213**

**Staff Sergeant Nicholas Ray Carnes Post Office Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6902, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 513 6th Avenue in Dayton, Kentucky, as the “Staff Sergeant Nicholas Ray Carnes Post Office”. **Page H10213**

**Dr. Bernard Daly Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 3015, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 18 S. G Street, Lakeview, Oregon, as the “Dr. Bernard Daly Post Office Building”—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H10213–14**

**Recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of National Runaway Prevention Month:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1375, to recognize and support the goals and ideals of National Runaway Prevention Month. **Page H10214**

**Pickwick Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6197, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7095 Highway 57 in Counce, Tennessee, as the “Pickwick Post Office Building”. **Page H10214**

**Recognizing the importance of the United States wine industry to the American economy:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 429, to recognize the importance of the United States wine industry to the American economy. **Page H10214**

**Expressing support for designation of September 6, 2008, as Louisa Swain Day:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 378, to express support for designation of September 6, 2008, as Louisa Swain Day. **Pages H10214–15**

**Private First Class Irving Joseph Schwartz Post Office Building Designation Act:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6837, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7925 West Russell Road in Las Vegas, Nevada, as the “Private First Class Irving Joseph Schwartz Post Office Building”. **Page H10215**

**Recognizing the religious and historical significance of the festival of Diwali:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 245, to recognize the religious and historical significance of the festival of Diwali. **Page H10215**

**Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Secretary of Commerce should use all reasonable measures to ensure that every person is counted in the 2010 decennial census:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1262, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the Secretary of Commerce should use all reasonable measures to ensure that every person is counted in the 2010 decennial census. **Page H10215**

**Recognizing Armed Forces Day:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1122, to recognize Armed Forces Day. **Pages H10215–16**

**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Thursday, September 25th:

**Improving Government Accountability Act:** Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 928, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to enhance the independence of the Inspectors General and to create a Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  recorded vote of 414 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 661—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H10222–23**

**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Friday, September 26th:

**Approving the United States-India Agreement for Cooperation on Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy:** H.R. 7081, to approve the United States-India Agreement for Cooperation on Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 298 yeas to 117 nays with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 662. **Page H10223**

**Suspension—Failed:** The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

**Taking Responsible Action for Community Safety Act:** H.R. 6707, amended, to require Surface Transportation Board consideration of the impacts of certain railroad transactions on local communities, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 243 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 663. **Pages H10158–64, H10223–24**

**Recognizing the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Minority AIDS Initiative:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 426, as amended, to recognize the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Minority AIDS Initiative. **Pages H10228–29**

**Keeping the Internet Devoid of Sexual Predators Act of 2008:** The House agreed by unanimous consent to S. 431, as amended, to require convicted sex offenders to register online identifiers. **Pages H10238–41**

**Criminal History Background Checks Pilot Extension Act of 2008:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 3605, to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks—clearing the measure for the President. **Page H10241**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H10140, H10155, H10202, H10228, and H10264.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 3192 was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources; S. 3109 and S. 1492 were referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce; S. 3477 and S. 3536 were referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform; S. 2913 and S. 3641 were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and S. 906, S. 1582, and S. 3569 were held at the desk. **Page H10295**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yeas-and-nays votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H10222, H10223, and H10223–24. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:29 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### WAIVING A REQUIREMENT OF CLAUSE 6(a) OF RULE XIII WITH RESPECT TO CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to any resolution reported by the Rules Committee on the legislative day of September 28, 2008 or September 29, 2008.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2008

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No committee meetings are scheduled.



## Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Monday, September 29

## Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

1 p.m., Sunday, September 28

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12:00 noon), Senate will resume consideration of the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2095, Federal Railroad Safety Improvement Act, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 12:30 p.m.

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