

# Daily Digest

## Highlights

The House agreed to the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 5631, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2007.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S10109–S10222*

**Measures Introduced:** Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3935–3945, and S. Res. 585–587. **Page S10159**

#### **Measures Reported:**

S. 860, to amend the National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization Act to require State academic assessments of student achievement in United States history and civics, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–348)

S. 3687, to waive application of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to a specific parcel of real property transferred by the United States to 2 Indian tribes in the State of Oregon. (S. Rept. No. 109–349)

Special Report entitled “Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2007”. (S. Rept. No. 109–350)

S. 3938, to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States. **Pages S10158–59**

#### **Measures Passed:**

**Children’s Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5574, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize support for graduate medical education programs in programs in children’s hospitals, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Page S10217**

McConnell (for Enzi) Amendment No. 5073, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10217**

**VA Medical Facility Leases:** Senate passed S. 3421, to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal years 2006 and 2007,

after agreeing to the committee amendments and the following amendment proposed thereto:

McConnell (for Craig) Amendment No. 5074, in the Nature of A substitute. **Pages S10217–18**

**JFKCenter for the Performing Arts:** Senate passed H.R. 5187, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize additional appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts for fiscal year 2007, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10218–19**

**Enrollment Correction:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 480, to correct the enrollment of the bill H.R. 3127. **Page S10219**

**Secure Fence Act:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 6061, to establish operational control over the international land and maritime borders of the United States, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S10136–52**

Pending:

Frist Amendment No. 5036, to establish military commissions. **Page S10136**

Frist Amendment No. 5037 (to Amendment No. 5036), to establish the effective date. **Page S10136**

Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report back forthwith, with an amendment. **Page S10136**

Frist Amendment No. 5038 (to the instructions of the motion to commit H.R. 6061 to the Committee on the Judiciary), to establish military commissions. **Page S10136**

Frist Amendment No. 5039 (to the instructions of the motion to commit H.R. 6061 to the Committee on the Judiciary), to establish the effective date. **Page S10136**

Frist Amendment No. 5040 (to Amendment No. 5039), to amend the effective date. **Page S10136**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September

27, 2006, with 1 hour of debate equally divided between the Majority and Democratic Leaders, or their designees, to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Frist Amendment No. 5036 (listed above); provided further, that it be in order to file second degree amendments as provided for under Rule 22, until 11 a.m. **Page S10222**

**Geneva Convention Protocol—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of the following treaty, and that it be placed on the Executive Calendar: Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Adoption of an Additional Distinctive Emblem (Treaty Doc. 109–10); further, that this Protocol and the two treaties that remain in Committee be assigned designations of “A”, “B”, and “C” respectively to reflect that three separate treaties were received as part of Treaty Document 109–10. **Page S10219**

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

Jane C. Luxton, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere.

Kevin M. Kolevar, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability).

Phillip L. Swagel, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Thurgood Marshall, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2011. **Page S10222**

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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S10156–57**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Pages S10215–16**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S10217**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 6:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 27, 2006. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S10222.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NEW BASEL CAPITAL ACCORD

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings to examine implications of the New Basel Capital Accord designed to bring order to international capital markets, focusing on developments relating to bank regulatory capital requirements in the United States, including the U.S. implementation of Basel II and updates to regulatory capital rules for market risk, after receiving testimony from Susan Schmidt Bies, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Sheila C. Bair, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; John C. Dugan, Comptroller of the Currency, and John M. Reich, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, both of the Department of the Treasury; Diana L. Taylor, New York State Banking Department, Albany, on behalf of the Conference of State Bank Supervisors; Kathleen E. Marinangel, McHenry Savings Bank, McHenry, Illinois, on behalf of America’s Community Bankers; William M. Isaac, The Secura Group, Vienna, Virginia, former Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and James Garnett, Citigroup, on behalf of the American Bankers Association, and Daniel K. Tarullo, Georgetown University Law Center, both of Washington, D.C.

### INTERNATIONAL POLAR YEAR

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation concluded joint hearings with the Committee on Foreign Relations to examine International Polar Year, focusing on goals in the Arctic in science and in policy, including Arctic research programs, after receiving testimony from Mead Treadwell, Chair, United States Arctic Research Commission; Arden L. Bement, Jr., Director, National Science Foundation; Vice Admiral Robert Papp, Chief of Staff, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Alan J. Parkinson, Deputy Director, Arctic Investigations Program, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Thomas Armstrong, Program Coordinator, Earth Surface Dynamics Program, United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Robin E. Bell, Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University, Palisades, New York, on behalf of Polar Research Board, The National Academies; and Virgil L. Sharpton, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 1463, to designate a portion of the Federal building located at 2100 Jamieson Avenue, in Alexandria, Virginia, as the “Justin W. Williams United States Attorney’s Building”; and

The nominations of Roger Romulus Martella, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, William H. Graves, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority, and Brigadier General Bruce Arlan Berwick, United States Army, Colonel Gregg F. Martin, United States Army, Brigadier General Robert Crear, United States Army, and Rear Admiral Samuel P. De Bow, Jr., NOAA, each to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission.

**HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS**

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Health Care held a hearing to examine health savings accounts, focusing on early enrollee experiences with the accounts and eligible health plans, receiving testimony from Robert J. Carroll, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Analysis; John E. Dicken, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; Joseph V. Knight, Setpoint Systems, Ogden, Utah, on behalf of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce; Sara R. Collins, Commonwealth Fund, New York, New York; John C. Goodman, National Center for Policy Analysis, Washington, D.C.; and Eric C. Beittel, Enders Insurance Associates, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.

**COMBATING CHILD HUNGER**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine new initiatives to combat global child hunger and malnutrition, focusing on the intersection of hunger and the HIV/AIDS crisis, after receiving testimony from James Kunder, Acting Deputy Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development; Julie L. Gerberding, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; George Ward, World Vision, Washington, D.C.; and James T. Morris, United Nations World Food Program, and former Secretary of Agriculture Ann M. Veneman, United Nations Children’s Fund, both of New York, New York.

**FEDERAL WORKFORCE REFORM**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the Dis-

trict of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine the Federal government’s implementation of pay for performance systems for its senior executives, focusing on the regulatory structure for the systems, the agency certification process, and the effectiveness of the role of the Office of Personnel Management in evaluating and monitoring these systems, after receiving testimony from Linda M. Springer, Director, Office of Personnel Management; Brenda S. Farrell, Acting Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; and Carol A. Bonosaro, Senior Executives Association, Washington, D.C.

**TAX CODE**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine uncollected taxes and issues of transparency relating to deconstructing the tax code, focusing on the 2006 updated estimate of the tax gap by the IRS, examine IRS efforts to close the tax gap as well as legislative solutions to increase tax payer compliance, and explore the transparency of the tax code, after receiving testimony from Mark Everson, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, J. Russell George, Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration, and Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, all of the Department of the Treasury; Jay A. Soled, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey; Stephen J. Entin, Institute for Research on the Economics of Taxation, Washington, D.C.; Jason Furman, New York University Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, New York, New York; and Neal Boortz, Atlanta, Georgia.

**ILLEGAL INSIDER TRADING**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine issues relating to illegal insider trading, focusing on the scope of the problem and issues concerning criminal enforcement, after receiving testimony from Ronald J. Tenpas, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; Linda C. Thomsen, Director of Enforcement, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Robert A. Marchman, NYSE Regulation, Inc., and John C. Coffee, Jr., Columbia University Law School, both of New York, New York; Christopher K. Thomas, Measuredmarkets, Inc., Toronto, Canada; Jonathan R. Macey, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut; James D. Cox, Duke University School of Law, Durham, North Carolina.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Kent A. Jordan, of Delaware, to be United States Circuit Judge for the

Third Circuit, John Alfred Jarvey, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa, and Sara Elizabeth Lioi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Vanessa Lynne Bryant, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, who was introduced by Senators Dodd and Lieberman, and Michael Brunson Wallace, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit

Judge for the Fifth Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Cochran and Lott, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf, including numerous judicial and public witnesses.

#### NOMINATION

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Robert T. Howard, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology), after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 21 public bills, H.R. 6175–6195; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 481–482; and H. Res. 1041 were introduced. **Pages H7496–97**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7497–98**

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

S. 176, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska (H. Rept. 109–681);

S. 244, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming (H. Rept. 109–682);

H.R. 971, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects in Connecticut (H. Rept. 109–683);

H.R. 4377, to extend the time required for construction of a hydroelectric project (H. Rept. 109–684);

H.R. 4417, to provide for the reinstatement of a license for a certain Federal Energy Regulatory project (H. Rept. 109–685);

H.R. 5533, to prepare and strengthen the bio-defenses of the United States against deliberate, accidental, and natural outbreaks of illness, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–686);

H.R. 6164, to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the authorities of the National Institutes of Health (H. Rept. 109–687); and

H. Res. 1042, providing for consideration of the H.R. 6166, to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize trial by military commission for violations of the law of war (H. Rept. 109–688).

**Pages H7495–96**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Wamp to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7351**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:09 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Page H7352**

**Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on yesterday, Monday, September 25th:

*Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (BATFE) Modernization and Reform Act of 2006:* H.R. 5092, amended, to modernize and reform the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 277 yeas to 131 nays, Roll No. 476; **Pages H7369–70**

*Calling on the President to take immediate steps to help improve the security situation in Darfur, Sudan, with a specific emphasis on civilian protection:* H. Res. 723, amended, to call on the President to take immediate steps to help improve the security situation in Darfur, Sudan, with a specific emphasis on civilian protection, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 412 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 481; **Pages H7423–24**

*Urging the President to appoint a Presidential Special Envoy for Sudan:* H. Res. 992, amended, to urge the President to appoint a Presidential Special Envoy for Sudan, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 414 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 482; **Pages H7424–25**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Supporting the appointment of a Presidential Special Envoy for Sudan." **Page H7425**

*Commending the United Kingdom for its efforts in the War on Terror:* H.R. 989, amended, to commend the United Kingdom for its efforts in the War

on Terror, by a 2/3 ye-and-nay vote of 412 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 483; and **Pages H7465–66**

*Affirming support for the sovereignty and security of Lebanon and the Lebanese people:* H. Res. 1017, amended, to affirm support for the sovereignty and security of Lebanon and the Lebanese people, by a 2/3 ye-and-nay vote of 411 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 484. **Pages H7466–67**

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

*Private Property Rights Implementation Act of 2006:* H.R. 4772, amended, to simplify and expedite access to the Federal courts for injured parties whose rights and privileges under the United States Constitution have been deprived by final actions of Federal agencies or other government officials or entities acting under color of State law, by a 2/3 ye-and-nay vote of 234 yeas to 172 nays, Roll No. 477. **Page H7370**

**Motion to resolve into Secret Session:** The House rejected the Pelosi motion that the House resolve itself into secret session, that the House be cleared of all persons except the Members, Delegates, Resident Commissioner, and officers of the House to consider certain communications, by a ye-and-nay vote of 171 yeas to 217 nays, Roll No. 478. **Page H7371**

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

*Open Space and Farmland Preservation Act:* H.R. 5313, to reserve a small percentage of the amounts made available to the Secretary of Agriculture for the farmland protection program to fund challenge grants to encourage the purchase of conservation easements and other interests in land to be held by a State agency, county, or other eligible entity; **Pages H7372–73**

*Providing for the conveyance of the former Konnarock Lutheran Girls School in Smyth County, Virginia, which is currently owned by the United States and administered by the Forest Service, to facilitate the restoration and reuse of the property:* H.R. 5103, amended, to provide for the conveyance of the former Konnarock Lutheran Girls School in Smyth County, Virginia, which is currently owned by the United States and administered by the Forest Service, to facilitate the restoration and reuse of the property; **Pages H7373–74**

*Providing for the conveyance of certain National Forest System land to the towns of Laona and Wabeno, Wisconsin, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain isolated parcels of*

*National Forest System land in Florence and Langlade Counties, Wisconsin:* H.R. 4559, amended, to provide for the conveyance of certain National Forest System land to the towns of Laona and Wabeno, Wisconsin, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain isolated parcels of National Forest System land in Florence and Langlade Counties, Wisconsin; **Pages H7374–75**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To provide for the conveyance of certain National Forest System land to the towns of Laona and Wabeno, Wisconsin, and for other purposes.” **Page H7375**

*Children and Family Services Improvement Act of 2006:* S. 3525, to amend subpart 2 of part B of title IV of the Social Security Act to improve outcomes for children in families affected by methamphetamine abuse and addiction, to reauthorize the promoting safe and stable families program. The House concur in Senate amendments to the House amendments—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H7375–87**

*Permitting certain expenditures from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund:* H.R. 6131, to permit certain expenditures from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund; **Pages H7387–89**

*Promoting Antiterrorism Capabilities Through International Cooperation Act:* H.R. 4942, amended, to establish a capability and office to promote cooperation between entities of the United States and its allies in the global war on terrorism for the purpose of engaging in cooperative endeavors focused on the research, development, and commercialization of high-priority technologies intended to detect, prevent, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against acts of terrorism and other high consequence events and to address the homeland security needs of Federal, State, and local governments; **Pages H7433–37**

*Recruiting and retaining Border Patrol agents:* H.R. 6160, to recruit and retain Border Patrol agents; **Pages H7437–40**

*Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Border Patrol is performing an invaluable service to the United States, and that the House of Representatives fully supports the more than 12,000 Border Patrol agents:* H. Res. 1030, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Border Patrol is performing an invaluable service to the United States, and that the House of Representatives fully supports the more than 12,000 Border Patrol agents; **Pages H7440–45**

*Biodefense and Pandemic Vaccine and Drug Development Act of 2006:* H.R. 5533, amended, to

prepare and strengthen the biodefenses of the United States against deliberate, accidental, and natural outbreaks of illness; **Pages H7445–50**

*Extending the time required for construction of a hydroelectric project:* H.R. 4377, to extend the time required for construction of a hydroelectric project; **Pages H7450–51**

*Providing for the reinstatement of a license for a certain Federal Energy Regulatory project:* H.R. 4417, to provide for the reinstatement of a license for a certain Federal Energy Regulatory project; **Page H7451**

*Extending the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming:* S. 244, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H7451–52**

*Extending the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska:* S. 176, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska—clearing the measure for the President; **Page H7452**

*Extending the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects in Connecticut:* H.R. 971, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects in Connecticut; **Pages H7452–53**

*Amending title IV of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the authorities of the National Institutes of Health:* H.R. 6164, to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the authorities of the National Institutes of Health, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 414 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 485; **Pages H7453–65, H7467**

*Veterans Identity and Credit Security Act of 2006:* H.R. 5835, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve information management within the Department of Veterans Affairs; **Pages H7468–78**

*Encouraging all offices of the House of Representatives to hire disabled veterans:* H. Res. 1016, to encourage all offices of the House of Representatives to hire disabled veterans; **Pages H7478–80**

*Green Chemistry Research and Development Act of 2005:* H.R. 1215, amended, to provide for the implementation of a Green Chemistry Research and Development Program; **Pages H7480–84**

*National Integrated Drought Information System Act of 2006:* H.R. 5136, amended, to establish a National Integrated Drought Information System within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Ad-

ministration to improve drought monitoring and forecasting capabilities; **Pages H7484–86**

*Recognizing the dedication of the employees at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Stennis Space Center who, during and after Hurricane Katrina's assault on Mississippi, provided shelter and medical care to storm evacuees and logistical support for storm recovery efforts, while effectively maintaining critical facilities at the Center:* H. Res. 948, to recognize the dedication of the employees at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Stennis Space Center who, during and after Hurricane Katrina's assault on Mississippi, provided shelter and medical care to storm evacuees and logistical support for storm recovery efforts, while effectively maintaining critical facilities at the Center; and **Pages H7486–88**

*Extending temporarily certain authorities of the Small Business Administration:* H.R. 6159, to extend temporarily certain authorities of the Small Business Administration. **Pages H7488–89**

**Public Expression of Religion Act of 2005:** The House passed H.R. 2679, to amend the Revised Statutes of the United States to eliminate the chilling effect on the constitutionally protected expression of religion by State and local officials that results from the threat that potential litigants may seek damages and attorney's fees, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 244 yeas to 173 nays, Roll No. 480.

**Pages H7389–H7404, H7422–23**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To amend the Revised Statutes of the United States to prevent the use of the legal system in a manner that extorts money from State and local governments, and the Federal Government, and inhibits such governments constitutional actions under the first, tenth, and fourteenth amendments." **Page H7423**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute reported by the Committee on the Judiciary, shall be considered as adopted.

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H. Res. 1038, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 229 yeas to 177 nays, Roll No. 474, after agreeing to order the previous question. **Pages H7356–64, H7368**

**Child Custody Protection Act:** S. 403, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 264 yeas to 153 nays, Roll No. 479—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H7412–22**

H. Res. 1039, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of

249 yeas to 157 nays, Roll No. 475, after ordering the previous question. **Pages H7364–69**

**Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2007—Conference Report:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 5631, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, by a yeas and nays vote of 394 yeas to 22 nays, Roll No. 486, after ordering the previous question.

**Pages H7425–33, H7467–68**

H. Res. 1037, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by voice vote, after ordering the previous question. **Pages H7404–12**

**Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy—Reappointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of Representatives Kilpatrick of Michigan to the Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy. **Page H7489**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7445.

**Senate Referral:** S. 3421 was held at the desk.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Thirteen yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H7368, H7368–69, H7369–70, H7370, H7371, H7422, H7422–23, H7423–24, H7424, H7465–66, H7466, H7467, and H7467–68. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FEDERAL FARM POLICY

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture held a hearing to review federal farm policy affecting the specialty crop industry. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### DOD ALTERNATIVE ENERGY/EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities and the Subcommittee on Readiness held a joint hearing on Alternative Energy and Energy Efficiency Programs of the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: John Young, Director, Defense Research and Engineering; Richard Connelly, Director, Defense Energy Support Center; Mike Aimone, Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, Installations and Mission Support; and Phil Grone, Deputy Under Secretary, Installations and Environment; and public witnesses.

### COLLEGES AND INTERNET POLICY

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness held a hearing entitled "The Internet and the College Campus: How the Entertainment Industry and Higher Education are Working to Combat Illegal Piracy." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### EDITING MOVIE CONTENT FOR FAMILIES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Editing Hollywood's Editors: Cleaning Flicks for Families. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### INTERNET SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Sexual Exploitation of Children Over the Internet: The Face of a Child Predator and Other Issues." Testimony was heard from Andres Hernandez, Director, Bureau of Prisons' Sex Offender Treatment Program, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

### MEDICAL DEVICE SAFETY

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing entitled "Medical Device Safety: How FDA Regulates the Reprocessing of Supposedly Single-Use Devices." Testimony was heard from Daniel G. Schultz, M.D., Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

### WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing entitled "Weapons of Mass Destruction: Reviving Disarmament." Testimony was heard from William H. Tobey, Deputy Administrator, Defense Nuclear Proliferation, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; Andrew K. Semmel, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Security and Nonproliferation, Department of State; Jack David, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction and Negotiations Policy, Department of Defense; Gene Aloise, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; Hans Blix, Chairman, The Weapons of Mass Destruction Commission; and public witnesses.

**SMALL BUSINESS PAPERWORK AMNESTY ACT**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs held a hearing entitled “ H.R. 5242, Small Business Paperwork Amnesty Act. Testimony was heard from. Senator Vitter; Representative Neugebauer; and public witnesses.

**HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENT: INITIATIVES FOR 2007**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Held a hearing entitled “The Department of Homeland Security: Major Initiatives for 2007 and Beyond.” Testimony was heard from Michael Chertoff, Secretary of Homeland Security.

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on Enhancing the Global Fight to End Human Trafficking. Testimony was heard from John Miller, Director, The Office to Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State; Wade F. Horn, Assistant Secretary, Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

The Committee also held a briefing on this subject. The Committee was briefed by Ricky Martin, Goodwill Ambassador and President, The Ricky Martin Foundation.

**LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION IMPROVEMENT ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 6101, Legal Services Corporation Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Legal Services Corporation: Frank Strickland, Chairman of the Board; and Richard West, Inspector General; and David Williams, Inspector General, U.S. Postal Service.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 5110, More Water and More Energy Act of 2006; H.R. 5786, South Orange County Recycled Water Enhancement Act; and H.R. 5987, to provide for a feasibility study of alternatives to augment the water supplies of the Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and cities served by the District. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: William E. Rinne, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and Robert M. Hirsch, Associate Director, Water, U.S. Geological Survey; and public witnesses.

**MILITARY COMMISSIONS ACT OF 2006**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing two hours of debate in the House on H.R. 6166, to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize trial by military commission for violations of the law of war, and for other purposes, with 80 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services, and 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Hunter, Representatives Lungren, Skelton, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Markey, Harman, Wu and Lynch.

**AERONAUTICS DECADAL PLAN/NASA BLUEPRINT**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics continued hearings on The National Academy of Sciences’ Decadal Plan for Aeronautics: A Blueprint for NASA? Testimony was heard from Lisa Porter, Associate Administrator, Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate, NASA; and William W. Hoover, co-chair, National Research Council’s Steering Committee that produced the Decadal Survey of Civil Aeronautics.

**OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE ICEBREAKER REPORT**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held an oversight hearing on the National Academy of Science Icebreaker Report. Testimony was heard from RADM Joseph L. Nimmich, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Policy and Planning, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Arden L. Bement, Jr., Director, NSF; Anita K. Jones, Chair, Polar Research Board, Assessment of USCG polar icebreaker roles and futures needs, The National Academies; and Mead Treadwell, Chairman, U.S. Arctic Research Commission.

**MEMBER PROPOSALS ON TAX ISSUES**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Member Proposals on Tax Issues Introduced in the 109th Congress. Testimony was heard from Representatives Shaw, Cardin, Lewis of Kentucky; Jones of Ohio, Hart, Nunes, Christensen, Fossella, Wilson of New



Mexico, Gary G. Miller of California, Franks of Arizona, Chabot, Udall of New Mexico, Murphy, Turner, Fortenberry, McHugh, Blumenauer, King of Iowa and Conaway.

## DNI'S INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION ARCHITECTURE

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to hold a hearing on the DNI's Intelligence Collection Architecture. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2006

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine United States policy and practice with respect to the use of riot control agents by the U.S. Armed Forces, followed by a closed session in SR-222, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christopher A. Padilla, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Bijan Rafiekian, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 3599, to establish the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument in the State of New Mexico, S. 3794, to provide for the implementation of the Owyhee Initiative Agreement, S. 3854, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, H.R. 3603, to promote the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System lands and other public lands in central Idaho, to designate the Boulder-White Cloud Management Area to ensure the continued management of certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands for recreational and grazing use and conservation and resource protection, to add certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands in central Idaho to the National Wilderness Preservation System, and H.R. 5025, to protect for future generations the recreational opportunities, forests, timber, clean water, wilderness and scenic values, and diverse habitat of Mount Hood National Forest, Oregon, 10 a.m., SD-628.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Frank Baxter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, and Charles L. Glazer, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Bioterrorism and Public Health Preparedness, to hold hearings to examine measures to improve emergency medical care, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine new technologies to improve care for people with diabetes and reduce the burden on the health care system, focusing on the development of an artificial pancreas, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship, to hold an oversight hearing to examine United States refugee admissions and policy, 3 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* business meeting to consider the nomination of Robert T. Howard, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Information and Technology, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

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

### House

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Military Personnel and the Subcommittee Economic Opportunity of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, joint hearing on the Montgomery G.I. Bill for Members of the Selected Reserve, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on the Irregular Warfare Roadmap, 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* Subcommittee on Education Reform, hearing on "Perspectives on Early Childhood Home Visitation Programs, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* to mark up the following bills: H.R. 5782, Pipeline Safety and Improvement Act of 2006; and H.R. 5472, National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program Reauthorization Act of 2006, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings entitled "Sexual Exploitation of Children Over the Internet: Follow-up Issues to the Masha Allen Adoption," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing entitled "Protecting Americans from Catastrophic Terrorism Risk," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Energy and Resources, hearing entitled "Rebalancing the Carbon Cycle," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance and Accountability, hearing entitled "Banks in Real Estate: A Review of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency's December 2005 Rulings," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on House Administration,* hearing on the IT Assessment: A Ten Year Vision for Information Technology in the House, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on International Relations*, hearing on the United States—Republic of Korea Relations: An Alliance at Risk? 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4997, Physicians for Underserved Areas Act; H.R. 5219, Judicial Transparency and Ethics Enhancement Act of 2006; H.R. 4239, Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act; and H.R. 6052, Copyright Modernization Act of 2006, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, hearing entitled “Advancing Security and Commerce at Our Nation’s Ports: The Goals are not Mutually Exclusive,” 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Aviation, oversight hearing on Next Generation Air Transportation System Financing Options, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, oversight hearing on the administration of the VA Pension Program, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to mark up H.R. 6134, Health Opportunity Patient Empowerment Act of 2006, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, hearing on the DNI’s Perspective on State of Intelligence Reform, 10:15 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: to hold hearings to examine Federal efforts to protect children from commercial sexual exploitation, focusing on international initiatives to combat child pornography and trafficking, 2 p.m., 2200–RHOB.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 27

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, September 27

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 1 hour), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 6061, Secure Fence Act, with 1 hour of debate, to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Frist Amendment No. 5036.

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** To be announced.

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