

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 6, CLEAN Energy Act.

The House passed H.R. 2764, making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8165–S8271

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1672—1681, and S. Res. 248. **Pages S8230–31**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 225, designating the month of August 2007 as “National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month”.

S. Res. 230, designating the month of July 2007, as “National Teen Safe Driver Month”.

S. Res. 235, designating July 1, 2007, as “National Boating Day”. **Page S8230**

Measures Passed:

Clean Energy Act: By 65 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 226), Senate passed H.R. 6, to reduce our Nation’s dependency on foreign oil by investing in clean, renewable, and alternative energy resources, promoting new emerging energy technologies, developing greater efficiency, and creating a Strategic Energy Efficiency and Renewables Reserve to invest in alternative energy, and after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S8166–S8221

Adopted:

Stevens Modified Amendment No. 1792 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) standards.

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Reid Amendment No. 1502, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8166**

Bingaman Amendment No. 1639 (to Amendment No.1502), to make certain technical edits to title III. **Page S8206**

Bingaman Amendment No. 1677 (to Amendment No.1502), to improve the bill. **Pages S8206–07**

Bingaman Amendment No. 1798 (to Amendment No.1502), to make technical amendments. **Pages S8207–08**

Bingaman (for Cantwell) Amendment No. 1698 (to Amendment No.1502), to modify the definition of renewable biomass. **Page S8208**

Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 1568 (to Amendment No. 1502), to prevent supply disruptions from planned refinery outages. **Page S8208**

Bingaman (for Domenici) Amendment No. 1569 (to Amendment No.1502), to provide an alternate sulfur dioxide removal measurement for certain coal gasification project goals. **Pages S8208–09**

Bingaman (for Inouye) Modified Amendment No. 1597 (to Amendment No.1502), to propose a study of the adequacy of transportation of domestically-produced renewable fuel by railroads and other modes of transportation. **Page S8209**

Bingaman (for Dole/Carper) Amendment No. 1624 (to Amendment No.1502), to expand the scope of the applied research program on energy storage systems to include flow batteries. **Page S8209**

Bingaman (for Akaka) Modified Amendment No. 1764 (to Amendment No.1502), to promote the development and use of marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy technologies. **Page S8209**

Bingaman (for Boxer) Amendment No. 1799 (to Amendment No.1502), to reduce emissions of carbon dioxide from the Capitol power plant. **Pages S8209–10**

Bingaman (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 1602 (to Amendment No.1502), to provide transitional assistance for farmers who plant dedicated energy crops for a local cellulosic refinery. **Page S8210**

Bingaman (for Inhofe/Clinton) Amendment No. 1660 (to Amendment No.1502), to modify sections to provide for the use of geothermal heat pumps. **Pages S8210–12**

Bingaman (for Murkowski/Stevens) Modified Amendment No. 1513 (to Amendment No.1502), to amend the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Act to allow the Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects to hire employees more efficiently. **Page S8212**

Bingaman (for Voinovich) Amendment No. 1683 (to Amendment No.1502), to implement the Convention on Supplementary Compensation for Nuclear Damage. **Pages S8212–14**

Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 1729 (to Amendment No.1502), to provide for the treatment of certain applications and requests. **Page S8214**

Bingaman (for Menendez) Amendment No. 1675 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for a study on the effect of laws limiting the siting of privately owned electric distribution wires on the development of combined heat and power facilities. **Page S8214**

Bingaman (for Burr) Modified Amendment No. 1687 (to Amendment No. 1502), to express the sense of Congress that the Department of Energy should be the lead United States Government agency in charge of formulating and coordinating the national energy security policy of the United States. **Page S8214**

Bingaman (for Burr) Amendment No. 1688 (to Amendment No. 1502), to require the President to submit to Congress an annual national energy security strategy report. **Pages S8214–15**

Bingaman (for Burr) Amendment No. 1689 (to Amendment No. 1502), to amend the National Security Act of 1947 to add the Secretary of Energy to the National Security Council in recognition of the role energy and energy security issues play in the United States national security. **Page S8215**

Bingaman (for Sanders) Modified Amendment No. 1525 (to Amendment No. 1502), to require that not less than 30 percent of the hot water demand for certain new or substantially modified Federal buildings be met through the installation and use of solar hot water heaters. **Page S8215**

Bingaman/Domenici Modified Amendment No. 1567 (to Amendment No. 1502), to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to evaluate the cost-effectiveness of installing advanced insulation into commercial refrigerated trailers, refrigerators, freezers, and refrigerator-freezers. **Page S8215**

Bingaman (for Carper) Amendment No. 1717 (to Amendment No. 1502), to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of Minerals Management Service, to conduct a study to assess each offshore wind resource located in the region of the eastern outer Continental Shelf. **Page S8215**

Bingaman (for Feingold) Amendment No. 1710 (to Amendment No. 1502), to clarify the purposes

of the energy and environmental block grant program. **Page S8215**

Bingaman (for Wyden) Modified Amendment No. 1759 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for a national assessment of carbon sequestration and methane and nitrous oxide emissions from terrestrial ecosystems. **Pages S8215–16**

Bingaman (for Cantwell) Modified Amendment No. 1797 (to Amendment No. 1502), to modernize the electricity grid of the United States by catalyzing the production, use, and integration of technologies capable of communicating and recording valuable information relating to conditions of supply, consumer loads, and system performance. **Pages S8216–17**

Bingaman (for Kohl) Modified Amendment No. 1595 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide a set-aside for small automobile manufacturers and component suppliers for awards under the advanced technology vehicles manufacturing incentive program. **Page S8219**

Bingaman (for Brown) Modified Amendment No. 1676 (to Amendment No. 1502), to establish a renewable energy innovation partnership program to support the development, demonstration, and deployment of systems and projects relating to renewable energy. **Page S8219**

Bingaman (for Hutchison/Cornyn) Modified Amendment No.1679 (to Amendment No. 1502), to require the Secretary of Energy to enter into an arrangement with the National Academy of Sciences to assess the impact of the renewable fuel standard. **Page S8219**

Bingaman (for Collins) Modified Amendment No. 1615 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for the development and coordination of a comprehensive and integrated United States research program that assists the people of the United States and the world to understand, assess, and predict human-induced and natural processes of abrupt climate change. **Page S8219**

Bingaman (for Cardin) Modified Amendment No. 1520 (to Amendment No. 1502), to promote the energy independence of the United States. **Pages S8219–20**

Bingaman (for Collins) Modified Amendment No. 1700 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for research support to facilitate the development of sustainable markets and technologies to produce and use woody biomass and other low-carbon fuels. **Page S8220**

Bingaman (for Enzi) Amendment No. 1724 (to Amendment No. 1502), to modify the deadline by which the President is required to approve or disapprove a certain State petition. **Page S8220**

Bingaman (for Snowe/Kerry) Amendment No. 1702 (to Amendment No. 1502), to authorize loans for renewable energy systems and energy efficiency projects under the Express Loan Program of the Small Business Administration. **Page S8217**

Bingaman (for Kerry/Snowe) Modified Amendment No. 1706 (to Amendment No. 1502), to establish a small business energy efficiency program. **Pages S8217–19**

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

By 38 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 222), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 201 of S. Con. Res. 21, FY08 Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to Kyl/Lott Modified Amendment No. 1733 (to Amendment No. 1704), to provide a condition precedent for the effective date of the revenue raisers. Subsequently, the pay-as-you-go point of order that the amendment would cause or increase an on-budget deficit for either of the applicable time periods set out in S. Con. Res. 21, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S8166–75**

By 57 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 223), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Baucus Amendment No. 1704 (to Amendment No. 1502), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide or energy advancement and investment. **Pages S8175–76**

By 61 yeas to 32 nays (Vote No. 224), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on Reid Amendment No. 1502, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8177**

By 62 yeas to 32 nays (Vote No. 225), 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 S8220–21**

Chair sustained a point of order under Rule XXII, that the following amendments were not germane or were drafted improperly, and the amendments thus fell:

Reid (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 1537 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for a renewable portfolio standard. **Page S8166**

Klobuchar (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 1573 (to Amendment No. 1537), to provide for a renewable portfolio standard. **Page S8166**

Bingaman (for Klobuchar) Amendment No. 1557 (to Amendment No. 1502), to establish a national greenhouse gas registry. **Page S8166**

Corker Amendment No. 1608 (to Amendment No. 1502), to allow clean fuels to meet the renewable fuel standard. **Page S8166**

Cardin Modified Amendment No. 1520 (to Amendment No. 1502), to promote the energy independence of the United States. **Page S8166**

Collins Amendment No. 1615 (to Amendment No. 1502), to provide for the development and coordination of a comprehensive and integrated United States research program that assists the people of the United States and the world to understand, assess, and predict human-induced and natural processes of abrupt climate change. **Page S8166**

Baucus Amendment No. 1704 (to Amendment No. 1502), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide or energy advancement and investment. **Page S8166**

EMPLOYEE FREE CHOICE ACT/COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM AGREEMENT:

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 26, 2007, Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 800, to amend the National Labor Relations Act to establish an efficient system to enable employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, to provide for mandatory injunctions for unfair labor practices during organizing efforts, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon; that if cloture is invoked the motion to proceed be agreed to and Senate vote immediately on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1639, to provide for comprehensive immigration reform, and that if cloture is invoked the motion to proceed be agreed to; provided further, that if cloture is invoked on the motion to proceed to S. 1639, that it be in order, upon the disposition of all post-cloture debate time, for there to be 20 minutes equally divided, for debate only, on a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 in response to a Budget point of order against the bill made by Senator Sessions, or his designee; and that on Wednesday, June 27, 2007, if the Senate is considering S. 1639, Senator Sessions be recognized, for debate only, for up to two hours. **Page S8206–06**

DIGITAL AND WIRELESS NETWORK TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM—REFERRAL AGREEMENT:

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions be discharged from further consideration of S. 1650, to establish a digital and wireless network technology program, and the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. **Page S8270**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Tax Convention with Belgium (Treaty Doc. No. 110–3).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

John J. Young, Jr., of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics.

Deborah Taylor Tate, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2007.

Robert Clarke Brown, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term expiring November 22, 2011.

Clarence H. Albright, of South Carolina, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

Ronald K. McMullen, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to the State of Eritrea.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—226) Pages S8175, S8176, S8177, S8221

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:51 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Friday, June 22, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8271.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: LABOR/HHS/ EDUCATION/INTERIOR/ENVIRONMENT/ LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill making appropriations for Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, and Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.

HOMELESSNESS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1518, to amend the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to reauthorize the Act, after receiving testimony from Roy A. Bernardi, Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Lloyd S. Pendleton, State of Utah Department of Community and Culture, Salt Lake City; Mayor Shirley Franklin, Atlanta, Georgia; Mayor Adrian M. Fenty, Linda Glassman, National AIDS Housing Coalition, Nan Roman, National Alliance to End Homelessness, and Moises Loza, Housing Assistance Council, all of Washington, DC; and Carol Gundlach, Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Montgomery, on behalf of the National Network to End Domestic Violence.

HEALTH CARE AND THE BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine health care and the federal budget, focusing on issues and challenges for reform, after receiving testimony from Peter R. Orszag, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

TELEPHONE NUMBER PORTING AND CALLER ID SPOOFING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine telephone number porting and caller-ID spoofing, including S. 704, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit manipulation of caller identification information, after receiving testimony from Kris Anne Monteith, Chief, Enforcement Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Ron Jones, Commissioner of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority, Nashville, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; and Jerry Cerasale, Direct Marketing Association, Inc., and Allison Knight, Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC), both of Washington, D.C.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY, TECHNOLOGIES AND PROGRAMS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Innovation concluded a hearing to examine energy efficiency technologies and programs, after receiving Martha Krebs, California Energy Commission, Sacramento; Kateri Callahan, Alliance to Save Energy, and Tom Hicks, U.S. Green Building Council, both of Washington, D.C.; Charles R. Zimmerman, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., Bentonville, Arkansas; Douglas K. Johnson, Consumer Electronics Association, Arlington, Virginia; and Jay Birnbaum, CURRENT Group, LLC, Germantown, Maryland.

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine barriers to work to be overcome for individuals receiving Social Security Disability Benefits, after receiving testimony from Sue Suter, Associate Commissioner for Employment Support Programs, Social Security Administration; Allen Jensen, George Washington University Center for Health and Human Services Research and Policy, and David C. Stapleton, Cornell University Institute for Policy Research, both of Washington, D.C.; and Jim Brown, Billings, Montana.

U.S.-RUSSIA RELATIONS:

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a strategic assessment of United States and Russia relations, after receiving testimony from Daniel Fried, Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs; Zbigniew Brzezinski, Center for Strategic and International Studies, and Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft, USAF (Ret.), Scowcroft Group, each a former National Security Advisor, both of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of John L. Withers II, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania, Charles Lewis English, of New York, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameron Munter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia, Roderick W. Moore, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Montenegro, and J. Christian Kennedy, of Indiana, to be Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Envoy for Holocaust Issues, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

PRIVATE SECTOR PREPAREDNESS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and

Private Sector Preparedness and Integration concluded a hearing to examine the state of public-private collaboration in preparing for and responding to national catastrophes, after receiving testimony from former Senator John Breaux, Patton Boggs LLP, Washington, D.C., and F. Duane Ackerman, Atlanta, Georgia, both on behalf of Business Executives for National Security; Alfonso Martinez-Fonts, Jr., Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector, Office of Policy, Office of the Secretary, and Marko Bourne, Director, Policy and Program Analysis, Federal Emergency Management Agency, both of the Department of Homeland Security; and Richard Andrews, National Center for Crisis and Continuity Coordination, Redlands, California.

INDIAN COUNTRY

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine law enforcement in Indian country, after receiving testimony from Marcus Wells, Jr., Three Affiliated Tribes, New Town, North Dakota; Herman Dillon, Sr., and Larry LaPointe, both of Puyallup Tribe of Indians, Tacoma, Washington; Bonnie Clairmont, Tribal Law and Policy Institute, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Joe A. Garcia, National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D.C.; and Kevin W. Washburn, University of Minnesota Law School, and Thomas B. Heffelfinger, Best and Flanagan LLP, both of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

S. Res. 230, designating the month of July 2007, as “National Teen Safe Driver Month”;

S. Res. 235, designating July 1, 2007, as “National Boating Day”;

S. Res. 225, designating the month of August 2007 as “National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month”; and

Committee approved the issuance of various subpoenas in connection with the investigation of the legal basis for the warrantless wiretap program.

Also, Committee began consideration of S. 1145, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed until June 28, 2007.

CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, after receiving testimony from Wan J. Kim, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice; Wade J. Henderson, Leadership Conference on Civil

Rights, and Robert N. Driscoll, Alston and Bird LLP, both of Washington, D.C.; Brian K. Landsberg, University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law, Sacramento, California; Helen L. Norton, University of Maryland School of Law, Baltimore; and Roger Clegg, Center for Equal Opportunity, Falls Church, Virginia.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

FUTURE OF AMERICA'S AGRICULTURE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine America's aging farming population, focusing on the threat to the future of American agriculture as aging farmers are not being replaced by younger generations, after receiving testimony from Keith Collins, Chief Economist of the Department of Agriculture; Isaac Kershaw, Ohio State Department of Education, Columbus, on behalf of Future Farmers of America; Barry Bushue, Oregon Farm Bureau Federation, and Derek Godwin, Oregon State University Extension Service, both of Salem; and John Rosenow, Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters Future of Farming and Rural Life (FOF) Project, Cochrane, Wisconsin.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 2802–2825; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 172–173; and H. Res. 508–509 were introduced. (See next issue.)

Additional Cosponsors: (See next issue.)

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2313, to establish research, development, demonstration, and commercial application programs for marine renewable energy technologies, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–202);

H.R. 2304, to direct the Secretary of Energy to conduct a program of research, development, demonstration, and commercial application for geothermal energy, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–203);

H.R. 1980, to authorize appropriations for the Housing Assistance Council (H. Rept. 110–204);

H.R. 1982, to authorize appropriations for the rural housing and economic development program of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–205); and

H.R. 2139, to modernize the manufactured housing loan insurance program under title I of the National Housing Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–206). (See next issue.)

Making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008: The House passed H.R. 2764, making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending Sep-

tember 30, 2008, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 241 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 542. Consideration of the measure began on Wednesday, June 20th.

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Agreed to:

Garrett (NJ) amendment (No. 16 printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 2007) that expands the notification requirements necessary to allow the use of funds for contributions to international peace-keeping missions; **Pages H6846–47**

Mack amendment that redirects \$10 million in funding with respect to broadcasting to Venezuela;

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Payne amendment that increases funding, by offset, for the Child Survival and Health Programs Fund by \$50 million for tuberculosis; **Pages H6852–53**

Jackson-Lee (TX) amendment that redirects \$5 million within the Child Survival and Health Programs Fund; **Pages H6853–54**

Jackson-Lee (TX) amendment that redirects \$5 million in funding within the Development Assistance account for Liberia; **Pages H6854–56**

Tierney amendment that redirects \$75 million in funding for the Economic Support Fund for Pakistan; **Pages H6858–62**

Lincoln Diaz-Balart (FL) amendment that increases funding, by offset, for the Economic Support Fund in order to address funding for Cuba Democracy assistance programs by \$36,700,000 (by a recorded vote of 254 yeas to 170 nays, Roll No. 527);

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Shays amendment that provide additional funding, by offset, for the Iraq Study Group in the amount

of \$1 million (by a recorded vote of 365 ayes to 69 noes, Roll No. 529); **Pages H6841–42, H6870**

Ros-Lehtinen amendment that redirects \$20 million in funding within the International Organizations and Programs account; **Pages H6876–80**

Moore (WI) amendment (No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 2007) that removes Liberia from the list of countries prohibited from receiving funds for assistance; **Pages H6880–81**

Lowey amendment that provides that no contract or grant for exclusive purpose of providing donated contraceptives in developing countries shall be denied to any nongovernmental organization solely on the basis of the policy contained in the President's March 28, 2001 Memorandum to the Administrator of USAID with respect to providing contraceptives in developing countries, or any comparable administration policy regarding the provision of contraceptives (by a recorded vote of 223 ayes to 201 noes, Roll No. 533); **Pages H6882–continued next issue.**

King (IA) amendment regarding basing rights in Iraq; **(See next issue.)**

Gingrey amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 2007) that prohibits funds from being used for negotiating the participation of additional countries under the visa waiver program; **(See next issue.)**

Tancredo amendment (No. 10 printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 2007) that prohibits funds from being used for the enforcement of any of the provisions in the memorandum dated February 2, 2001 entitled "Guidelines on Relations With Taiwan"; **(See next issue.)**

Herseth Sandlin amendment (No. 27 printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 2007) that prohibits funds from being used to carry out the diversity visa program; **(See next issue.)**

Tancredo amendment that prohibits funds from being expended in violation of laws relating to the discontinuation of granting visas to nationals of countries denying or delaying accepting aliens removed from the U.S.; **(See next issue.)**

Lipinski amendment that prohibits funds from being used to purchase any light bulbs that do not have the "ENERGY STAR" designation; **(See next issue.)**

Forbes amendment that prohibits funds under the Economic Support Fund heading from being made available for Ethiopia; **(See next issue.)**

Ros-Lehtinen amendment that prohibits funds from being used by the Department of State as a contribution for the United Nations Human Rights Council; **(See next issue.)**

Poe amendment that prohibits funds from being used to provide an immigrant or non-immigrant visa to a national or citizen of a country the central gov-

ernment of which has notified the Secretary of State of its refusal to extradite to the United States any individual indicted in the United States for killing a law enforcement officer, as specified in a United States extradition request; **(See next issue.)**

Blunt amendment that prohibits the use of funds for the International Seabed Authority; **(See next issue.)**

Garrett (NJ) amendment that prohibits the use of funds for the attendance of more than 50 employees from a Federal department or agency at any single conference occurring outside the United States; **(See next issue.)**

Berkley amendment (No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 2007) that prohibits the use of funds for assistance to Saudi Arabia; and **Page H**

Pence amendment that prohibits the use of funds for direct aid to the Palestinian Authority, except as otherwise provided by existing law (by a recorded vote of 390 ayes to 30 noes, Roll No. 540). **(See next issue.)**

Rejected:

Shays amendment that sought to redirect \$50 million in funding under the Economic Support Fund for community assistance programs in Iraq; **Pages H6856–58**

Wolf amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for assistance programs for Iraq by \$158,000,000 by a recorded vote of 205 ayes to 219 noes, Roll No. 528); **Pages H6837–41, H6869–70**

Garrett (NJ) amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for anti-terrorism programs by \$20 million (by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 530); **Pages H6842–43, H6870–71**

Foxx amendment that sought to reduce the funds appropriated for contributions to international organizations by \$203,082,000 (by a recorded vote of 137 ayes to 287 noes, Roll No. 531); **Pages H6843–45, H6871–72**

Pitts amendment that sought to strike the proviso under the Global HIV/AIDS Initiative heading that states that funds made available under such heading and under the Child Survival and Health Programs Fund heading be made available notwithstanding the second sentence of section 403(a) of Public Law 108–25 (by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 226 noes, Roll No. 532); **Pages H6862–68, H6872–76**

Smith (NJ) amendment that sought to strike the last proviso in section 622 of the bill regarding the Mexico City policy on family planning assistance (by a recorded vote of 205 ayes to 218 noes, Roll No. 534); **(See next issue.)**

Boustany amendment that sought to strike section 699 from the bill relating to assistance for Egypt (by

a recorded vote of 74 ayes to 343 noes, Roll No. 535); (See next issue.)

McGovern amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds for programs at the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation located at Fort Benning, Georgia (by a recorded vote of 203 ayes to 214 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 536); (See next issue.)

Jordan amendment (No. 26 printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 2007) that sought to reduce appropriations in the bill by \$2,956,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 152 ayes to 268 noes, Roll No. 537); (See next issue.)

Price (GA) amendment (No. 52 printed in the Congressional Record of June 20, 2007) that sought to reduce appropriations in the bill by \$342,430,000 (by a recorded vote of 168 ayes to 252 noes, Roll No. 538); (See next issue.)

Musgrave amendment that sought to reduce the total appropriation in the bill (other than for assistance for Israel) by 0.5 percent across-the-board (by a recorded vote of 179 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 539); and (See next issue.)

King (IA) amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds for travel by the Speaker of the House of Representatives to countries that are State sponsors of terrorism (by a recorded vote of 84 ayes to 337 noes, Roll No. 541). (See next issue.)

Withdrawn:

McCaul (TX) amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding, by offset, for International Narcotics Control and Law enforcement programs by \$30 million;

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Flake amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit funds from being used to fund nongovernmental organizations, specifically named in the report accompanying the Act, outside of a competitive bidding process; (See next issue.)

Conaway amendment (No. 6 printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 2007) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to express the sense of the House that any reduction in the amount appropriated as a result of amendments adopted by the House should be dedicated to deficit reduction; and (See next issue.)

Lamborn amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit funds under the West Bank and Gaza program from being available to or through any individual, private or government entity, or educational institution that does not recognize the right of the State of Israel to exist. (See next issue.)

Point of Order sustained against:

Blumenauer amendment (No. 17 printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 2007) regarding funding for Pakistan. (See next issue.)

H. Res. 498, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Wednesday, June 20th.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6831.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear in the next issue.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and fifteen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6868–69, H6869–70, H6870, H6870–71, H6871–72, H6872, continued next issue. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:33 a.m. on Friday, June 22nd.

Committee Meetings

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT TO INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS; REPORT ON FINANCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS; AND REVISED SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FY 2008

Committee on Appropriations: Approved the following: a Supplemental Report to H.R. 2643, making appropriations for the Department of Interior, environment, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008; a report on the Financial Services and General Government appropriations for fiscal year 2008; and a revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for fiscal year 2008.

BALANCING WORK AND FAMILY

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Workforce Protection held a hearing on Balancing Work and Family: What Policies Best Support American Families? Testimony was heard from Representatives DeLauro and Biggert; and public witnesses.

HEALTH MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Approved the following health proposals, as amended, to be introduced in a single bill, and ordered that bill reported: the Prescription Drug User Fee Amendments of 2007 (PDUFA); as amended, the Medical Device User Fee Amendments of 2007 (MDUFA); the Pediatric Medical Device Safety and Improvement Act of 2007; as amended, the Pediatric Research Equity Act of 2007; as amended, the Best Pharmaceuticals for Children Act of 2007 (BPCA); as amended, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for the establishment of the Reagan-Udall

Institute for Applied Biomedical Research; to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to conflicts of interest; as amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of a clinical trial registry database and a clinical trial results database; and, as amended, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve drug safety.

TERRORISM RISK INSURANCE ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, held a hearing entitled "Examining a Legislative Solution To Extend and Revise the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act." Testimony was heard from David G. Nason, Assistant Secretary, Financial Institutions, Department of the Treasury; Eric R. Dinallo, Superintendent, Department of Insurance, State of New York; and public witnesses.

HOPE VI PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled "Reauthorization of the HOPE VI Program." Testimony was heard from: Orlando J. Cabrera, Assistant Secretary, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Rudy Montiel, Executive Director, Housing Authority, Los Angeles, California; Charles Woodyard, Executive Director, Housing Authority, Charlotte, North Carolina; Richard Fox, Executive Director, Housing Authority, Stamford, Connecticut; Michael Kelly, Executive Director, Housing Authority, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

OPIC REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade approved for full committee action, as amended, H.R. 2798, Overseas Private Investment Corporation Reauthorization Act of 2007.

U.S. ATTORNEYS INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law continued hearings on the Continuing Investigation into the U.S. Attorney Controversy and Related Matters. Testimony was heard from Paul J. McNulty, Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 558, African American Farmers Benefit Relief Act of 2007; and H.R. 899, Pigford Claims Remedy Act of 2007. Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; A. Donald McEachin,

member, House of Delegates, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

REFUGE ECOLOGY PROTECTION, ASSISTANCE, AND IMMEDIATE RESPONSE ACT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 767, Refuge Ecology Protection, Assistance, and Immediate Response Act. Testimony was heard from: Geoffrey L. Haskett, Assistant Director, National Wildlife Refuge System, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

DC AUTONOMY MEASURE; FEDERAL MERIT-BASED EMPLOYMENT SYSTEM

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Services, and the District of Columbia approved for full committee action the following bills: H.R. 733, as amended, District of Columbia Budget Autonomy Act of 2007; and H.R. 1054 District of Columbia Legislative Autonomy Act of 2007.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment approved for full committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 2773, Biofuels Research and Development Enhancement Act; H.R. 1933, Department of Energy Carbon Capture and Storage Research, Development, and Demonstration Act of 2007; and H.R. 2774, Solar Energy Research and Advancement Act of 2007.

NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on Increasing Investment in Our Nation's Small Businesses. Testimony was heard from Michael Hager, Associate Administrator, Capitol Access, SBA; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AND WORKFORCE SECURITY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing on the Responsibility of the Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Protective Service to Ensure Contract Guards Protect Federal Employees and Workplaces. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Richard L. Skinner, Inspector General; Gary W. Schenkel, Director, Federal Protection Service;

Ashley J. Lewis, Director, Office of Acquisition Policy and Oversight, Immigration and Custom Enforcement; and public witnesses.

VETERANS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1750, To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to extend from 90 days the period after release of a member of the Armed Forces from active duty during which the member is protected from mortgage foreclosure under that act; H.R. 1824, To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the scope of programs of education for which accelerated payments of educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill may be used; H.R. 1598, Servicemembers Credit Protection Act; H.R. 1315, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide specially adaptive housing assistance to certain disabled members of the Armed Forces residing temporarily in housing owned by a family member; H.R. 1240, To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a scholarship program for students seeking a degree or certificate in the areas of visual impairment and orientation and mobility; H.R. 675, Disabled Veterans Adaptive Housing Improvement Act; H.R. 513, National Heroes Credit Protection Act; H.R. 2259, To ensure that members of the National Guard and Reserves are able to fully participate in the benefits delivery at discharge program administered jointly by the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide information and assistance on available benefits and other transition assistance to members of the Armed Forces who are separating from the Armed Forces; H.R. 2475, Veteran Home Equity Conversation Mortgage Act of 2007; H.R. 1632, Improving Veterans' Reemployment Act of 2007; H.R. 112, G.I. Advanced Education in Science and Technology Act; H.R. 2579, To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the use of funds in the Department of Veterans Affairs readjustment benefits accounts and funds appropriated for such purpose to provide funding for state approving agencies; and H.R. 1370, Disabled Veterans Sports and Special Events Promotion Act of 2007. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wynn, Brady of Pennsylvania, Israel, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Welch of Vermont, Michaud, Reichert; the following officials of Veterans Affairs, Keith Pedigo, Director, Loan Guaranty Service; Keith M. Wilson, Director, Education Service; and Dean Gallin, Deputy Assistant Counsel; representatives of veterans' organizations; and public witnesses.

MEDICARE PART D BENEFICIARY PROTECTIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Beneficiary Protections in Medicare Part D. Testimony was heard from Leslie V. Norwalk, Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Kathleen M. King, Director, Medicare Payment, GAO; and public witnesses.

SSI IDENTIFY THEFT PROTECTION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Protecting the Privacy of the Social Security Number from Identity Theft. Testimony was heard from: Senator Schumer; Representatives Markey and Barton of Texas; Patrick O'Carroll, Inspector General, SSA; Joel Winston, Director, Division of Privacy and Information Protection, FTC; Dan Bertoni, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

FISA

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive to hold a hearing on FISA. Testimony was heard from former Attorney General John Ashcroft.

Joint Meetings

GUANTANAMO BAY

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine the Guantanamo Bay detention camp, focusing on the implications for United States human rights leadership, including the international perspective of Guantanamo, particularly in the 56 participating States of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), after receiving testimony from John B. Bellinger, III, Legal Adviser, Department of State; Anne-Marie Lizin, Belgium Senate, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Special Representative on Guantanamo, Brussels; Tom Malinowski, Human Rights Watch, Washington, D.C.; and Gabor Rona, Human Rights First, New York, New York.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2007

(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 a new vision for medical research relating to the fiscal year 2008 budget for the National Institutes of Health, 10 a.m., SD-116.

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to markup the Department of Defense Authorization bill for fiscal year 2008, 2 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, hearing on H.R. 1534, Mercury Export Ban Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled “Images Kids See on the Screen,” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “Homeowner Downpayment Assistance Programs and Related Issues,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on the Future of NATO: How Valuable an Asset? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing on the Response of the Department of Health and Human Services to the Nation’s Emergency Care Crisis, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, to consider the following measures: H.R. 2698, Federal Aviation Research and Development Reauthorization Act of 2007; and H. Res. 487, Recognizing the contribution of modeling and simulation technology to the security and prosperity of the United States, and recognizing modeling and simulation as a National Critical Technology, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, DCIA briefing on a recent report, 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Friday, June 22

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, June 22

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will be in a period of morning business.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: H.R. 2771—Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2008.

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