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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6467-S6498

Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3565–3569 and S. Con. Res. 105. Page S6492

Measures Reported:

S. 2145, to enhance security and protect against terrorist attacks at chemical facilities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6492**

Measures Passed:

National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 367, honoring and praising the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution on the 100th anniversary of being granted its Congressional Charter.

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Flag Anti-Desecration Resolution: Senate began consideration of S.J. Res. 12, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States. Pages S6471-87

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the joint resolution at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2006, and that the time until 5 p.m. be equally divided between the majority and minority sides; provided further, that consideration be for debate only until 2:15 p.m. **Pages S6495-96**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, legislation and supporting documents to implement the United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement (FTA); which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM–53) Page S6491

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Robert L. Wilkie, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Linda Mysliwy Conlin, of New Jersey, to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2009.

J. Joseph Grandmaison, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2009.

David H. Pryor, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2008.

Warren Bell, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2012.

Chris Boskin, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2012.

William B. Wark, of Maine, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

William E. Wright, of Florida, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Roger L. Hunt, of Nevada, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2009.

John E. Kidde, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2011.

John Peyton, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2011.

Thomas E. Harvey, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Congressional Affairs).

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Navy.Page S6498Measures Placed on Calendar:Page S6491Executive Communications:Pages S6491–92Additional Cosponsors:Pages S6492–93D699

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

Additional Statements: Pages S6408-95

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 6:57 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday,

June 27, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the re-

marks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6496.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 5679–5687; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 436 and H. Res. 892–893, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed on Friday, June 23rd, as follows:

H. Res. 846, requesting the President and directing the Secretary of State to provide to the House of Representatives certain documents in their possession relating to strategies and plans either designed to cause regime change in or for the use of military force against Iran, adversely (H. Rept. 109–526); and

H. Res. 819, requesting the President and directing the Attorney General to submit to the House of Representatives all documents in the possession of the President and the Attorney General relating to requests made by the National Security Agency and other Federal agencies to telephone service providers requesting access to telephone communications records of persons in the United States and communications originating and terminating within the United States without a warrant (H. Rept. 109–527).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 845, requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Defense and the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution, documents relating to the termination of the Department of Justice's Office of Professional Responsibility's investigation of the involvement of Department of Justice personnel in the creation and administration of the National Security Agency's warrantless surveillance program, including documents relating to the Office of Professional Responsibility's request for and denial of security clearances, adversely (H. Rept. 109–528);

H. Res. 890, providing for consideration of H.R. 5672, making appropriations for Science, State, Justice, Commerce, and related agencies appropriations act, 2007 (H. Rept. 109–529);

H. Res. 891, providing for consideration of H.R. 4973, to restore the financial solvency of the national flood insurance program (H. Rept. 109–530); and

H.R. 4761, to provide for exploration, development, and production activities for mineral resources on the outer Continental Shelf, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–531).

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Boustany to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H4523

Recess: The House recessed at 12:41 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H4524

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

Correcting the enrollment of the bill H.R. 889: S. Con. Res. 103, to correct the enrollment of the bill H.R. 889—clearing the measure for the President; Pages H4525-26

Congratulating the Miami Heat for winning the 2006 NBA Championship: H. Res. 887, to congratulate the Miami Heat for winning the 2006 NBA Championship; and Pages H4530-32

Reauthorizing permanently the use of penalty and franked mail in efforts relating to the location and recovery of missing children: H.R. 4416, to reauthorize permanently the use of penalty and franked mail in efforts relating to the location and recovery of missing children. Pages H4532-33

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further consideration of the measures is expected to resume tomorrow, Tuesday, June 27th:

Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2006: Conference report on H.R. 889, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal year 2006, to make technical corrections to various laws administered by the Coast Guard; and Pages H4526-28

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2006: H.R. 4843, amended, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2006, the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans. Pages H4528-30

Recess: The House recessed at 2:35 p.m. and reconvened at 6:34 p.m. Page H4530

Journal: Later, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal. Pages H4524, H4530

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President consistent with the Trade Act of 2002 whereby he notifies the Congress of his intention to

enter into a Free Trade Agreement with Oman—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 109–118). Page H4533

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H4540.

Senate Referral: S. 2370 was held at the desk.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H4555–57.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Committee Meetings FLOOD INSURANCE REFORM AND MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 4973, Floor Insurance Reform and Modernization Act of 2006, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rules provides that the amendments printed in the report may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against amendments printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Baker, Pearce, Burton of Indiana, Rohrabacher, Wasserman Schultz, Pomeroy, and Matsui.

SCIENCE, THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE, JUSTICE, AND COMMERCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 5672, making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to members who have pre-printed their amendments in the CONGRES-SIONAL RECORD. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that it shall be in order, any rule of the House to the contrary notwithstanding, to consider concurrent resolutions providing for adjournment of the House and Senate during the month of July. Finally, the rule provides that H. Res. 878 is laid on the table. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wolf, Obey, Hoyer, George Miller of California, McDermott, Woolsey, and Corrine Brown of Florida.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the potential impact of S. 2754, to derive human pluripotent stem cell lines using techniques that do not knowingly harm embryos (referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions), 9 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up H.R. 5386, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, 9:45 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water, business meeting to mark up H.R. 5427, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, business meeting to mark up H.R. 5441, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, 2:30 p.m., S–128, Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing on recent North Korean ballistic missile developments, 10:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the current state of progress and future outlook relating to SAFETEA-LU implementation, 2:30 p.m., SD-538. *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* business meeting to resume markup of H.R. 5252, to promote the deployment of broadband networks and services, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine implementation of the Energy Policy Act provisions on enhancing oil and gas production on Federal lands in the Rocky Mountain Region, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Henry M. Paulson, Jr., of New York, to be Secretary of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Office of Personnel Management, focusing on whether the Office of Personnel Management is positioned to be the Federal government's leader in personnel policy today and in the future, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the use of presidential signing statements, which are issued when a president signs new laws, 10 a.m., SD-226.

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

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine if medical tourism can reduce health care costs relating to the globalization of health care, 10 a.m., SD-215.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Military Quality of Life, and Veterans' Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on Veterans Affairs Data Security, 9:30 a.m., H–140 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on Army and Marine Corps reset strategies for ground equipment and rotorcraft, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Making the Internet Safe for Kids: The Role of ISPs and Social Networking Sites," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "The Audio and Video Flags: Can Content Protection and Technological Innovation Coexist?" 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Clinical Lab Quality: Oversight Weaknesses Undermine Federal Standards," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn. Subcommittee on Federalism and the Census, hearing entitled "Moving the CDBG Program Forward: A Look at the Administration's Reform Proposal. Where Do We Go From Here?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations, hearing entitled "Sexual Assault and Violence Against Women in the Military and at the Academies," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4974, To authorize the President to waive the application of certain requirements under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 with respect to India; and H.R. 4014, Millennium Challenge Reauthorization Act of 2005, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations, hearing and briefing on Making Safe Blood Available in Africa, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Water and Power and the Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, joint oversight hearing on Meeting Electricity Demand in the West through Responsible Development of Energy Rights-of-Way on Federal lands, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, to mark up H.R. 5656, Energy Research, Development, Demonstration, and Commercial Application Act of 2006, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight, hearing entitled "S Corporations—Their History and Challenges," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Workforce, Empowerment, and Government Programs, hearing entitled "Immigrant Employment Verification and Small Business," 2:30 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines, hearing Celebrating 59 Years: The Eisenhower Interstate Highway System, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Railroads, hearing on current FRA Rail Safety Initiatives, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, oversight hearing to examine the Department of Veterans Affairs efforts to provide high quality health care to veterans in rural communities, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine prospects for U.S. economic expansion, 10 a.m., 2118 RHOB.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:45 a.m., Tuesday, June 27

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of S.J. Res. 12, Flag Desecration Constitutional Amendment.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Tuesday, June 27

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of suspensions as follows: (1) H.R. 42-Freedom to Display the American Flag Act of 2005; (2) H.R. 5341-Seasoned Customer CTR Exemption Act of 2006; and (3) H. Res. 854-Recognizing National Homeownership Month and the importance of homeownership in the United States. Consideration of H.R. 4973-Flood Insurance Reform and Modernization Act of 2006 (Subject to a Rule) and begin consideration of H.R. 5672-Science, State, Justice, Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2007 (Subject to a Rule).

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