# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 11 public bills, H.R. 3868–3878; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 376–377 and H. Res. 548–549, were introduced. **Page H752**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H752–53**

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

H. Res. 546, providing for consideration of H.R. 3752, to promote the development of the emerging commercial human space flight industry, to extend the liability indemnification regime for the commercial space transportation industry, to authorize appropriations for the Office of the Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation (H. Rept. 108–430); and

H. Res. 547, providing for consideration of H.R. 1561, to amend title 35, United States Code, with respect to patent fees (H. Rept. 108–431). **Pages H751–52**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Petri to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H709**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:58 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H712**

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

***Honoring the life and career of the late Willie Shoemaker:*** H. Res. 439, honoring the life and career of Willie Shoemaker and expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives to his family and friends on his death; **Pages H714–15**

***Ben Atchley Post Office Building Designation Act:*** H.R. 3769, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 137 East Young High Pike in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the ''Ben Atchley Post Office Building'', by a ⅔ yea-and-nay vote of 383 yeas with none voting ''nay'', Roll No. 32; and **Pages H715–16, H726–28**

***Expressing the sympathy of the House of Representatives for the victims of the devastating earthquake that occurred on December 26, 2003 in Bam, Iran:*** H. Res. 526, expressing the sympathy of the House of Representatives for the victims of the devastating earthquake that occurred on December 26, 2003, in Bam, Iran, by a yea-and-nay vote of 381 yeas with none voting ''nay'', Roll No. 33. **Pages H724–26, H727–28**

**Suspension—Proceedings Postponed:** The House completed debate on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 530, amended, urging the appropriate representative of the United States to the 60th session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to introduce a resolution calling upon the Government of the People's Republic of China to end its human rights violations in China. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed until Thursday, March 3. **Pages H716–24**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 3:20 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H726**

**Presidential Messages:** Read a letter from the President wherein he transmitted the 2004 National Drug Control Strategy—referred to the Committees on the Judiciary, Agriculture, Armed Services, Energy & Commerce, Education & the Workforce, Financial Services, Government Reform, International Relations, Small Business, Transportation & Infrastructure, Ways & Means, Veterans' Affairs, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and the Select Committee on Homeland Security. **Page H714**

Read a letter from the President wherein he transmitted his intent to designate Algeria as a beneficiary developing country and to terminate the designation of Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Bahrain, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, and Slovakia as beneficiary developing countries for purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences—referred to the Committee on Ways & Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 108–166). **Page H726**

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H753.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today. There were no quorum calls. **Pages H726–27, H727**

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### ANDEAN COUNTERDRUG INITIATIVE

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing entitled ''Andean Counterdrug Initiative.'' Testimony was heard from John P. Walters, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Tom O'Connell, Assistant Secretary, Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict, Department of Defense; and Robert Charles, Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State.