Honoring the Tuskegee Airmen: H. Con. Res. 417, honoring the Tuskegee Airmen and their contribution in creating an integrated United States Air Force, the world's foremost Air and Space Supremacy Force, by a ⅔ yea-and-nay vote of 378 yeas to 0 nays, Roll No. 212; **Pages H3549–53, H3567**

Designating the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Lufkin, Texas as the "Charles Wilson Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic": H.R. 4317, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic located in Lufkin, Texas, as the "Charles Wilson Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic"; **Pages H3555–57**

Health, Safety, and Security of Peace Corps Volunteers Act of 2004: H.R. 4060, to amend the Peace Corps Act to establish an Ombudsman and an Office of Safety and Security of the Peace Corps; **Pages H3557–61**

Mount Rainier National Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 2003: H.R. 265, amended, to provide for an adjustment of the boundaries of Mount Rainier National Park; **Pages H3561–62**

Reaffirming the inherent sovereign rights of the Osage Tribe to determine its membership and form of government: H.R. 2912, to reaffirm the inherent sovereign rights of the Osage Tribe to determine its membership and form of government; and **Pages H3562–63**

National Great Black Americans Commemoration Act of 2003: S. 1233, amended, to authorize assistance for the National Great Blacks in Wax Museum and Justice Learning Center. **Pages H3563–65**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Wednesday, June 2.

Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Allied landing at Normandy during World War II: S.J. Res. 28, recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Allied landing at Normandy during World War II; **Pages H3553–55**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:02 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H3565**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3543.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3565–66, H3566–67, H3567. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11:52 p.m.

Committee Meetings

GULF WAR ILLNESSES—STATUS OF RESEARCH AND INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing entitled "Examining the Status of Gulf War Research and Investigations on Gulf War Illnesses." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Janet Heinrich, Director, Health Care-Public Health Issues; and Keith Rhodes, Chief General Accounting Technologist; Jonathan B. Perlin, M.D., Acting Under Secretary, Health and Acting Chief Research and Development Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs; MG Lester Martinez-Lopez, U.S. Army, Commanding General, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

BACK TO WORK INCENTIVE ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by a record vote of 8 to 2, a closed rule providing one hour of debate in the House on H.R. 4444, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 4444 shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Section 2 of the rule provides that in the engrossment of H.R. 4444, the clerk shall add the texts of H.R. 4409 and H.R. 4410 as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 4444, and then lay H.R. 4409 and H.R. 4410 on the table. Finally, the rule provides that if H.R. 4444 is disposed of without reaching the stage of engrossment, either H.R. 4409 or H.R. 4410, whichever first passes the House shall be treated in the manner specified for H.R. 4444 and the other bill shall be laid on the table. Testimony was heard from Representatives McKeon, Porter, and Kildee.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUALS TO FILL VACANCIES

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by a record vote of 8 to 2, a closed rule providing 90 minutes of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Rohrabacher, Nadler, and Baird.

FASTER AND SMARTER FUNDING FOR FIRST RESPONDERS ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 3266, Faster and Smarter Funding for First Responders Act of 2004.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, *p. D536)*

H.R. 408, to provide for expansion of Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. Signed on May 28, 2004. (Public Law 108–229)

H.R. 708, to require the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in Mendocino National Forest, California, to provide for the use of the proceeds from such conveyance for National Forest purposes. Signed on May 28, 2004. (Public Law 108–230)

H.R. 856, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise a repayment contract with the Tom Green County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, San Angelo project, Texas. Signed on May 28, 2004. (Public Law 108–231)

H.R. 923, to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to allow certain premier certified lenders to elect to maintain an alternative loss reserve. Signed on May 28, 2004. (Public Law 108–232)

H.R. 1598, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in projects within the San Diego Creek Watershed, California. Signed on May 28, 2004. (Public Law 108–233)

H.R. 3104, to provide for the establishment of separate campaign medals to be awarded to members of the uniformed services who participate in Operation Enduring Freedom and to members of the uniformed services who participate in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Signed on May 28, 2004. (Public Law 108–234)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 2 through June 5, 2004

Senate Chamber

On *Wednesday,* at approximately 10:45 a.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 2400, Department of Defense Authorization Act.

During the balance of the week, upon conclusion of S. 2400, DOD Authorization, Senate will begin consideration of S. 2062, Class Action Fairness Act. Also, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: June 2, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the Iraq and Afghanistan Contingent Emergency Reserve Fund, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: June 2, to hold a closed briefing on national security issues, 10:15 1 a.m., S–407, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: June 2, to hold hearings to examine the role of State securities regulators in protecting investors, 10 a.m., SD–538.

June 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the enforcement of the bank secrecy act, enacted in 1970, which authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to issue regulations requiring that financial institutions keep records and file reports on certain financial transactions, 9:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: June 2, to hold hearings to examine fire fighting aircraft, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

June 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jon D. Leibowitz, of Maryland, and Deborah P. Majoras, of Virginia, both to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, Brett T. Palmer, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Benjamin H. Wu, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Technology Policy, Enrique J. Sosa, of Florida, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak), and Scott Kevin Walker, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

June 3, Subcommittee on Competition, Foreign Commerce, and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine the TREAD Act, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: June 2, to hold hearings to examine the Greater Middle East initiative, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: June 2, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 2, Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights, business meeting to consider S.J. Res. 4, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, 1:30 p.m., SD–226.

June 3, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD–226.

June 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Child Custody Protection Act focusing on the protection of parents' rights and children's lives, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

June 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine pending judicial nominations, 10 a.m., SD–226.