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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10531–S10683

Measures Introduced: Twenty-four bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1910–1933, and S. Res. 288–291. **Pages S10604–05**

Measures Reported:

S. 793, to provide for the expansion and improvement of traumatic brain injury programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–140)

H.R. 1260, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6301 Highway 58 in Harrison, Tennessee, as the ''Claude Ramsey Post Office''.

H.R. 1335, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 508 East Main Street in Seneca, South Carolina, as the ''S Sgt Lewis G. Watkins Post Office Building''.

H.R. 1425, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4551 East 52nd Street in Odessa, Texas, as the ''Staff Sergeant Marvin ''Rex'' Young Post Office Building''.

H.R. 1434, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 896 Pittsburgh Street in Springdale, Pennsylvania, as the ''Rachel Carson Post Office Building''.

H.R. 1617, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 561 Kingsland Avenue in University City, Missouri, as the ''Harriett F. Woods Post Office Building''.

H.R. 1722, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 601 Banyan Trail in Boca Raton, Florida, as the ''Leonard W. Herman Post Office''.

H.R. 2025, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11033 South State Street in Chicago, Illinois, as the ''Willye B. White Post Office Building''.

H.R. 2077, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 20805 State Route 125 in Blue Creek, Ohio, as the ''George B. Lewis Post Office Building''.

H.R. 2078, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14536 State Route 136 in Cherry Fork, Ohio, as the ''Staff Sergeant Omer T. 'O.T.'' Hawkins Post Office'.

H.R. 2127, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 408 West 6th Street in Chelsea, Oklahoma, as the ''Clem Rogers McSpadden Post Office Building''.

H.R. 2563, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 309 East Linn Street in Marshalltown, Iowa, as the ''Major Scott Nisely Post Office''.

H.R. 2570, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 Boardwalk Drive in Fort Collins, Colorado, as the ''Dr. Karl E. Carson Post Office Building''.

S. 1011, to change the name of the National Institute on Drug Abuse to the National Institute on Diseases of Addiction and to change the name of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism to the National Institute on Alcohol Disorders and Health, with an amendment.

S. 1539, to designate the post office located at 309 East Linn Street, Marshalltown, Iowa, as the ''Major Scott Nisely Post Office''.

S. 1596, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 South Getty Street in Uvalde, Texas, as the ''Dolph S. Briscoe, Jr. Post Office Building''.

S. 1693, to enhance the adoption of a nationwide interoperable health information technology system and to improve the quality and reduce the costs of health care in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1732, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 Boardwalk Drive in Fort Collins, Colorado, as the ''Dr. Karl E. Carson Post Office Building''.

S. 1772, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 127 South Elm Street in Gardner, Kansas, as the ''Private First Class Shane R. Austin Post Office''.

S. 1781, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 118 Minner Avenue in Bakersfield, California, as the ''Buck Owens Post Office''.

S. 1896, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Central Street in

Hillsborough, New Hampshire, as the "Officer Jeremy Todd Charron Post Office".

S. 1923, to authorize appropriations for assistance for the Housing Assistance Council, the Raza Development Fund, and for the Housing Partnership Network (HPN) and its members. **Pages S10603–04**

Measures Passed:

Safety of Seniors Act: Senate passed S. 845, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to expand and intensify programs with respect to research and related activities concerning elder falls, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S10676–78**

Casey (for Enzi/Mikulski) Amendment No. 2622, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S10677–78**

National Peripheral Arterial Disease Awareness Month: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 221, supporting National Peripheral Arterial Disease Awareness Month and efforts to educate people about peripheral arterial disease, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S10678**

Honoring Coach Bill Walsh: Senate agreed to S. Res. 290, honoring the life and career of former San Francisco 49ers Head Coach Bill Walsh. **Pages S10678–79**

National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 291, designating the week beginning September 9, 2007, as "National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week". **Pages S10679–80**

Measures Considered:

Small Business Tax Relief Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 976, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for small businesses, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S10537–92**

Rejected:

By 26 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 287), Grassley (for Ensign) Amendment No. 2538 (to Amendment No. 2530), to amend the Internal Revenue Service Code of 1986 to create a Disease Prevention and Treatment Research Trust Fund. **Pages S10537–40**

By 42 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 288), Gregg Amendment No. 2587 (to Amendment No. 2530), to limit the matching rate for coverage other than for low-income children or pregnant women covered through a waiver and to prohibit any new waivers for coverage of adults other than pregnant women. **Pages S10537, S10541–42**

By 32 yeas to 64 nays (Vote No. 289), Dole Amendment No. 2554 (to Amendment No. 2530), to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for a 60-vote point of order against legislation that includes a Federal excise tax rate increase which disproportionately affects taxpayers with earned income of less than 200 percent of the Federal poverty level. **Pages S10556–58, S10581**

Bunning Amendment No. 2547 (to Amendment No. 2530), to eliminate the exception for certain States to cover children under SCHIP whose income exceeds 300 percent of the Federal poverty level. (By 53 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 290), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S10537, S10577–78, S10581–82**

By 35 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. 291), Lott Modified Amendment No. 2593 (to Amendment No. 2530), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S10542–44, S10575, S10589, S10582–83**

By 36 yeas to 60 (Vote No. 292), Kerry Modified Amendment No. 2602 (to Amendment No. 2530), to provide sufficient funding and incentives to increase the enrollment of uninsured children. **Pages S10558–75, S10578–80, S10583–84**

Pending:

Baucus Amendment No. 2530, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10537**

Dorgan Amendment No. 2534 (to Amendment No. 2530), to revise and extend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. **Page S10537**

McConnell/Specter Amendment No. 2599 (to Amendment No. 2530), to express the sense of the Senate that Judge Leslie Southwick should receive a vote by the full Senate. **Pages S10544–56**

Thune Amendment No. 2579 (to Amendment No. 2530), to exclude individuals with alternative minimum tax liability from eligibility from SCHIP coverage. **Pages S10575–77**

Grassley (for Ensign) Amendment No. 2541 (to Amendment No. 2530), to prohibit a State from providing child health assistance or health benefits coverage to individuals whose family income exceeds 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level unless the State demonstrates that it has enrolled 95 percent of the targeted low-income children who reside in the State. **Pages S10537, S10580–81**

Grassley (for Ensign) Amendment No. 2540 (to Amendment No. 2530), to prohibit a State from using SCHIP funds to provide coverage for nonpregnant adults until the State first demonstrates that it has adequately covered targeted low-income children who reside in the State. **Pages S10580–81**

Grassley (for Graham) Amendment No. 2558 (to Amendment No. 2530), to sunset the increase in the tax on tobacco products on September 30, 2012. **Pages S10584–86**

Grassley (for Kyl) Amendment No. 2537 (to Amendment No. 2530), to minimize the erosion of private health coverage. **Pages S10584–86, S10589–92**

Grassley (for Kyl) Amendment No. 2562 (to Amendment No. 2530), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the 15-year straight-line cost recovery for qualified leasehold improvements and qualified restaurant improvements and to provide a 15-year straight-line cost recovery for certain improvements to retail space.

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Baucus (for Specter) Amendment No. 2557 (to Amendment No. 2530), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reset the rate of tax under the alternative minimum tax at 24 percent.

Pages S10586–88

Webb Amendment No. 2618 (to Amendment No. 2530), to eliminate the deferral of taxation on certain income of United States shareholders attributable to controlled foreign corporations.

Pages S10588–89

A motion was entered to close further debate on Baucus Amendment No. 2530, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, August 3, 2007. **Page S10589**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, August 3, 2007. **Page S10589**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill upon disposition of the House message on S. 1. **Page S10682**

Appointments:

Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy: Senator Hutchison, from the Committee on Appropriations, Senator Landrieu, from the Committee on Appropriations, Senator Reed, designated by the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, and Senator Collins, at Large. **Page S10676**

Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy: Senator Cochran, from the Committee on Appropriations, Senator Mikulski, from the Committee on Appropriations, Senator McCain, designated by the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, and Senator Cardin, at Large. **Page S10676**

FISA Legislation—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Majority Leader, or his designee, introduces Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) legislation, on Thursday, August 2, 2007, they be considered as having received their first reading on the Legislative day of Wednesday, August 1, 2007. **Page S10680**

Legislative Transparency and Accountability Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 2, 2007, Senate resume consideration of the amendment of the House to S. 1, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; that there be two hours of debate prior to a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to concur in the amendment of the House; provided further, that the Majority Leader and the Republican Leader be permitted to use their Leadership Time at the expiration of the two hours, with the Majority Leader speaking immediately prior to the vote on the motion to invoke cloture; provided further, that upon the use of all time, Senate to vote on the motion to invoke cloture. **Page S10682**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

David C. Geary, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term expiring November 28, 2010.

Bijan Rafiekian, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2011.

Peter B. McCarthy, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Charles L. Hopkins, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Operations, Preparedness, Security and Law Enforcement).

Joe W. Stecher, of Nebraska, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska for the term of four years.

Jill E. Sommers, of Kansas, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the remainder of the term expiring April 13, 2009.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Bartholomew H. Chilton, of Delaware, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the remainder of the term expiring April 13, 2008.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Miguel Campaneria, of Puerto Rico, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2012.

Thomas P. D'Agostino, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, Department of Energy.

Eric G. John, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Diane Auer Jones, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education, Department of Education.

Diane G. Farrell, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2011.

Michael W. Michalak, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

David H. McCormick, of Pennsylvania, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

31 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

25 Army nominations in the rank of general.

5 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy.

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Text of H.R. 2638 as Previously Passed: **Pages S10660–76**

Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—292) **Pages S10539–40, S10542, S10581, S10582, S10583, S10584**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:39 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 2, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10682.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

S. 1677, to amend the Exchange Rates and International Economic Coordination Act of 1988, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

An original bill (S. 1923), to authorize appropriations for assistance for the Housing Assistance Council, the Raza Development Fund, and for the Housing Partnership Network (HPN) and its members;

An original bill to establish requirements for private lenders to protect student borrowers receiving private educational loans; and

An original bill to establish a nonpartisan Commission on Natural Catastrophe Risk Management and Insurance.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OVERSIGHT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Commerce, after receiving from Carlos Gutierrez, Secretary of Commerce.

CLEAN COAL TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine recent advances in clean coal technology, focusing on the prospects for deploying these technologies at a commercial scale in the near future, after receiving testimony from Carl O. Bauer, Director, National Energy Technology Laboratory, Department of Energy; Jerry Hollinden, URS Corp, Louisville, Kentucky, on behalf of the National Coal Council, Inc.; Jeffrey N. Phillips, Electric Power Research Institute, Charlotte, North Carolina; Donald C. Langley, Babcock and Wilcox Company, Barberton, Ohio; Andrew Perlman, Great Point Energy, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Frank Alix, Powerspan Corp., Portsmouth, New Hampshire; Jim Rosborough, Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Michigan; and Bill Fehrman, PacifiCorp Energy, Salt Lake City, Utah.

WATER BILLS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded to examine S. 1054 and H.R. 122, bills to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Inland Empire regional recycling project and in the Cucamonga Valley Water District recycling project, S. 1472, to authorize the

Secretary of the Interior to create a Bureau of Reclamation partnership with the North Bay Water Reuse Authority and other regional partners to achieve objectives relating to water supply, water quality, and environmental restoration, S. 1475 and H.R. 1526, bills to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program, H.R. 30, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Eastern Municipal Water District Recycled Water System Pressurization and Expansion Project, H.R. 609, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Central Texas Water Recycling and Reuse Project, and H.R. 1175, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to increase the ceiling on the Federal share of the costs of phase I of the Orange County, California, Regional Water Reclamation Project, after receiving testimony from Representative Edwards; Larry Todd, Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Larry Groth, City of Waco, Waco, Texas; Richard W. Atwater, Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Chino, California; Gary W. Darling, City of Antioch, Antioch, California; Bill Long, North Bay Water Reuse Authority, North San Pablo Bay, California; and Randy A. Record, Eastern Municipal Water District, Riverside County, California.

UNITED STATES AFRICA COMMAND

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the United States Africa Command, focusing on a new strategic relationship with Africa, after receiving testimony from Jendayi E. Frazer, Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs; Theresa Whelan, Deputy Assistant Secretary for African Affairs, and Major General Jonathan S. Gration, USAF (Ret.), former Director, Strategy, Policy, and Assessments, United States European Command, both of the Department of Defense; Michael E. Hess, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, United States Agency for International Development; and J. Stephen Morrison, Center for Strategic and International Studies, and Mark Malan, Refugees International, both of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

S. 680, to ensure proper oversight and accountability in Federal contracting; with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1254, to amend title 44, United States Code, to require information contributors to Presidential library fundraising organizations, with an amendment;

An original bill to provide for the flexibility of certain disaster relief funds, and for improved evacuation and sheltering during disasters and catastrophes;

S. 1446, to amend the National Capital Transportation Act of 1969 to authorize additional Federal contributions for maintaining and improving the transit system of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority;

S. 547, to establish a Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security for Management;

S. 1245, to reform mutual aid agreements for the National Capital Region;

S. 597, to extend the special postage stamp for breast cancer research for 2 years;

H.R. 2570 and S. 1732, bills to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 Boardwalk Drive in Fort Collins, Colorado, as the ''Dr. Karl E. Carson Post Office Building'';

S. 1772, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 127 South Elm Street in Gardner, Kansas, as the ''Private First Class Shane R. Austin Post Office'';

S. 1781, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 118 Minner Avenue in Bakersfield, California, as the ''Buck Owens Post Office'';

H.R. 2127, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 408 West 6th Street in Chelsea, Oklahoma, as the ''Clem Rogers McSpadden Post Office Building'';

H.R. 2563, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 309 East Linn Street in Marshalltown, Iowa, as the ''Major Scott Nisely Post Office'';

S. 1539, to designate the post office located at 309 East Linn Street, Marshalltown, Iowa, as the ''Major Scott Nisely Post Office'';

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H.R. 1260, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6301 Highway 58 in Harrison, Tennessee, as the ''Claude Ramsey Post Office'';

H.R. 1434, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 896 Pittsburgh Street in Springdale, Pennsylvania, as the ''Rachel Carson Post Office Building'';

S. 1896, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Central Street in Hillsborough, New Hampshire, as the ''Officer Jeremy Todd Charron Post Office''; and

The nominations of Jim Nussle, of Iowa, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and Dennis R. Schrader, of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator for National Preparedness, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

POST–9/11 AMERICAN DIPLOMATIC PRESENCE

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine the under-representation of Americans at the United Nations and its organizations, focusing on ways to build a stronger American diplomatic presence, including staffing shortfalls since the implementation of the Diplomatic Readiness Initiative, and filling gaps in the language proficiency of Foreign Service officers and other staff, after receiving testimony Heather M. Hodges, Acting Director General of the Foreign Service, Director of Human Resources, and James B. Warlick, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Organization Affairs, both of the Department of State; Jess T. Ford, and Thomas Melito, each a Director, International Affairs and Trade, Government Accountability Office; John K. Naland, American Foreign Service Association, and Thomas D. Boyatt, Foreign Affairs Council, both of Washington, D.C.; and Deborah Derrick, Better World Campaign, New York, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 625, to protect the public health by providing the Food and Drug Administration with certain authority to regulate tobacco products, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing on the nomination of Donald M. Kerr, of Virginia, to be Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Bingaman and Warner, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public bills and Resolutions Introduced: 41 public bills, H.R. 3270–3310; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 196–198; and H. Res. 593, 603–605 were introduced. **Pages H9466–68, H9543–45**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H9468–69, H9545–46**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference Report on H.R. 2272, to invest in innovation through research development, and to improve the competitiveness of the United States (H. Rept. 110–289);

H. Res. 599, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3161) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008 (H. Rept. 110–290);

H. Res. 600, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 110–291);

H. Res. 601, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3159) to mandate minimum periods of rest and recuperation for units and members of the regular and reserve components of the Armed Forces between deployments for Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom (H. Rept. 110–292); and

H. Res. 602, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill H.R. 2272) to invest in innovation through research and development, and to improve the competitiveness of the United States (H. Rept. 110–293).

Pages H9414–65, H9466, H9543

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Tauscher to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H9281**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval for the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 780. **Page H9281, H9286–87**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Price (GA) motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 177 yeas to 231 nays, Roll No. 779. **Pages H9285–86**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Abercrombie motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 154 ayes to 236 noes, Roll No. 781. **Page H9287**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Sessions motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 172 yeas to 246 nays, Roll No. 783. **Pages H9298–99**

Children's Health and Medicare Protection Act of 2007: The House passed H.R. 3162, to amend titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Social Security Act to extend and improve the children's health insurance program, to improve beneficiary protections under the Medicare, Medicaid, and the CHIP program, by a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 787. **Pages H9302–H9414, H9471–H9503**

Rejected the Granger motion to recommit the bill to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a yea-and-nay vote of 202 yeas to 226 nays, Roll No. 786. **Pages H9499–H9502**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in H. Rept. 110–285, shall be considered as adopted. **Page H9349**

H. Res. 594, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 197 noes, Roll No. 785, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 784.

Page H9287–98, H9299–H9302

Earlier, the House agreed to consider the resolution by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 782. **Pages H9289–90**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of an Executive Order declaring a national emergency with respect to Lebanon—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–53). **Page H9503**

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

SAFETEA–LU Technical Corrections Act of 2007: H.R. 3248, to amend the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users to make technical corrections, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 422 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 789. **Pages H9507–22, H9532–33**

Water Resources Development Act of 2007: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 1495, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, by a yea-and-nay vote of 381 yeas to 40 nays, Roll No. 790.

Pages H9522–32, H9533–34

H. Res. 597, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by voice vote. **Pages H9503–07**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9:00 a.m. tomorrow, August 2nd, by a yea-and-nay vote of 403 yeas to 15 nays, Roll No. 788. **Page H9532**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H9281 and H9302.

Senate Referrals: S. J. Res. 7 and S. J. Res. 8 were referred to the Committee on House Administration and S. Con. Res. 26 was held at the desk.

Page H9465, H9542

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H9534.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eleven yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9285–86, H9286–87, H9287, H9289–90, H9298–99, H9300–01, H9301, H9501–02, H9502–03, H9532, H9532–33, and H9533–34. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CAPITOL POWER PLANT UTILITY TUNNELS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing on Capitol Power Plant Utility Tunnels. Testimony was heard from Terrell Dorn, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO;

Peter Eveleth, General Counsel, Office of Compliance; the following officials of the Office of the Architect of the Capitol: Stephen T. Ayers, Acting Architect; and Paul McMahon, Project Executive; and John Thayer, former Supervisor, Utility Tunnels Maintenance Crew, Office of the Architect of the Capitol.

ARMY-GUARD-RESERVE RECRUITING AND RETENTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on active Army, Army Guard and Army Reserve recruiting and retention. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Michael L. Dominguez, Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness; LTG Michael D. Rochelle, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, G–1, Headquarters, U.S. Army; LTG Clyde A. Vaughan, USA, Director, Army National Guard; and MG Thomas P. Bostick, USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Recruiting Command, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

POST-KATRINA HEALTH CARE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on Post-Katrina Health Care in the New Orleans Region: Progress and Continuing Concerns—Part II. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth Richter, Acting Director, Center for Medicare Management, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Frederick P. Cerise, M.D., Secretary, Department of Health and Hospitals, State of Louisiana; Robert L. Neary, Executive-In-Charge, Officer of Construction and Facilities Management, Department of Veterans Affairs; Ray Nagin, Mayor, New Orleans, State of Louisiana; and public witnesses.

TERRORISM RISK INSURANCE REVISION AND EXTENSION ACT OF 2007

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2761, Terrorism Risk Insurance Revision and Extension Act of 2007.

THAILAND-FIJI COUP-RELATED SANCTIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment held a hearing on the Impact of Coup-Related Sanctions on Thailand and Fiji: Helpful or Harmful to U.S. Relations? Testimony was heard from Representative Kirk; and the following officials of the Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State: Eric G. John, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Southeast Asia, and Glyn T. Davies, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Australia, New Zealand, and the Pacific Islands.

SOUTH ASIA POLITICAL CRISES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia held a hearing on Political Crises in South Asia: Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Nepal. Testimony was heard from Representative Pallone; and the following officials of the Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, Department of State: Steven R. Mann, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary; and John A. Gastright, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Homeland Security: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1413, To direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to address vulnerabilities in aviation security by carrying out a pilot program to screen airport workers with access to secure and sterile areas of airports; H.R. 1717, To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a National Bio and Agro-defense Facility; and H.R. 1955, Homegrown Terrorism, Prevention Act of 2007.

TSA FEDERAL ACQUISITION EXEMPTION

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight held a hearing entitled ''Playing by Its Own Rules: TSA's Exemption from the Federal Acquisition Regulation, and How it Impacts Partnerships with the Private Sector.'' Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Elaine Duke, Chief Procurement Officer; and Rick Gunderson, Assistant Administrator, Acquisition, Transportation Security Administration; and public witnesses.

SMITHSONIAN TRANSITION

Committee on House Administration: Held an oversight hearing on The Smithsonian in Transition. Testimony was heard from Representative Matsui; the following officials of the Smithsonian Institution: Cristian Samper, Acting Secretary; and A. Sprightley Ryan, Inspector General; and Charles Bowsher, Chairman, Independent Review Committee, and former Comptroller General of the United States.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, the following bills: H.R. 400, as amended, War Profiteering Prevention Act of 2007; H.R. 2102, as amended, Free Flow of Information Act, and H.R. 3013, Attorney-client Privilege Protection Act of 2007.

Committee recessed subject to call.

PAT TILLMAN FRATRICIDE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing on the Tillman Fratricide: What the Leadership of the Defense Department Knew. Testimony was heard from former Secretary of Defense: Donald H. Rumsfeld; and the following officials of the Department of the Army: GEN Richard Myers, USA, former Chair, Joint Chiefs of Staff; GEN John P. Abizaid, former Commander, U.S. Central Command; and GEN Bryan Douglas Brown, USA,

former Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command.

CONFERENCE REPORT—21ST CENTURY COMPETITIVENESS ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules. Granted, by a voice vote, a rule providing for the consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill H.R. 2272 to invest in innovation through research and development, and to improve the competitiveness of the United States. The rule waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration. The rule also provides that the conference report be considered as read. Testimony was heard by Chairman Gordon.

THE ENSURING MILITARY READINESS THROUGH STABILITY AND PREDICTABILITY DEPLOYMENT POLICY ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules. Granted, by a vote of 7 to 2, a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate on H.R. 3159, Ensuring Military Readiness Through Stability and Predictability Deployment Policy Act of 2007, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Armed Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard by Chairman Skelton, Representatives Hunter, Tauscher, Sestak, Wolf, Shays, Castle, Gerlach, McCaul, and Dent.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, a rule authorizing the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules at any time through the legislative day of Friday, August 3, 2007 on the following measures:

(1) The bill (H.R. 3087) to require the President, in coordination with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and other senior military leaders, to develop and transmit to Congress a comprehensive strategy for the redeployment of United States Armed Forces in Iraq; and

(2) A bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to establish a procedure for authorizing certain electronic surveillance.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES PROGRAMS, FY 2008

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 8 to 4, a structured rule. The rule provides for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3161) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read and that no further debate on any pending amendment shall be in order. The rule provides for further general debate not to exceed 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule provides that the amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. No further amendment shall be in order except those prined in part B of the Rules Committee report. The rule provides that each amendment printed in part B of 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 such amendments except for clauses 9 and 10 of Rule XXI. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The rule further provides that after the motion that the Committee rise has been rejected on a legislative day, the chair may entertain another such motion on that day only if offered by the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations or the Majority Leader. It also provides that after a motion to strike out the enacting words of the bill has been rejected, the Chair may not entertain another such motion during further consideration of the bill. Testimony was heard by Representative Kingston.

DOE'S SAVANNAH RIVER ECOLOGY LABORATORY SUPPORT

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, and the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment continued joint hearings on the Department of Energy's Support for the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory (SREL), Part II. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Clay Sell, Deputy Secretary; Jeff Allison, Manager, Savannah River Site; Paul Gilbertson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Engineering and Technology, Office of Environmental Management; and Yvette Colazzo, Assistant Manager, Closure Project, Savannah River Operations Office; and public witnesses.

PAYING SMALL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulation, Health Care and Trade held a hearing entitled ''Ensuring Prompt Payment for Small Health Care Providers.'' Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.R. 3246, Regional Economic and Infrastructure Development Act of 2007; H.R. 3224, Dam Rehabilitation and Repair Act of 2007; H.R. 3247, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita Recovery Facilitation Act of 2007; H.R. 3068, Federal Protective Service Guard Contracting Reform Act of 2007; H.R. 2671, To designate the United States courthouse located at 301 North Miami Avenue, Miami, Florida, as the ''C. Clyde Atkins United States Courthouse;'' and H.R. 2728, To designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 25762 Madison Avenue in Murrieta, California, as the ''Theodore L. Newton, Jr. and George F. Azrak Border Patrol Station.''

MEASURING POVERTY IN AMERICA

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support held a hearing on Measuring Poverty in America. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AVIATION TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Aviation Taxes. Testimony was heard from Representatives Oberstar and Mica; Marion C. Blakey, Administrator, FAA, Department of Transportation; Joseph Kile, Assistant Director Microeconomic Studies Division, CBO; Gerald L. Dillingham, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—SIGINT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence Analysis and Counterintelligence and the Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence met in executive session to receive a joint briefing on SIGINT. The Subcommittees were briefed by departmental witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, *p. D1101)*

S. 1868, to temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965.

Signed on July 31, 2007. (Public Law 110–51)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing on drawdown planning for the United States forces in Iraq, 11:30 a.m., S–407, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Randall S. Kroszner, of New Jersey, Larry Allan Klane, of the District of Columbia, and Elizabeth A. Duke, of Virginia, all to be Members of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 9:30 a.m., SD–538.

Subcommittee on Security and International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings to examine reforming key international financial institutions for the 21st century, 2:30 p.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: business meeting to consider the nomination of Jim Nussle, of Iowa, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 2:30 p.m., S–120, Capitol.

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 National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 1253, to establish a fund for the National Park Centennial Challenge, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (Public Law 109–435), focusing on the services that are provided to customers, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to continue hearings to examine the Department of Justice politicizing the hiring and firing of United States Attorneys, focusing on preserving prosecutorial independence, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1692, to grant a Federal charter to Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated, S. 1060, to reauthorize the grant program for reentry of offenders into the community in the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, to improve reentry planning and implementation, S. 453, to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections, S. 1845, to provide for limitations in certain communications between the Department of Justice and the White House Office relating to civil and criminal investigations, a bill entitled, ''School Safety and Law Enforcement Act'', and the nominations of Rosa Emilia Rodriguez-Velez, to be United States Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico, Richard A. Jones, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, Sharion Aycock, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi, and Leslie Southwick, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, 11:30 a.m., SD–226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing to follow-up on the notification of

family members of next of kin of deceased and wounded process for the Marine Corps, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Hurricanes Katrina and Rita: What will be the long-term effect on the federal budget? 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, to consider H.R. 1534, Mercury Export Ban Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, and Global Health, hearing on Africa Command: Opportunity for Enhanced Engagement or the Militarization of U.S.-Africa Relations," 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Elections, oversight hearing on the Election Assistance Commission, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3013, Attorney-Client Privilege Protection Act of 2007; H.R. 2740, MEJA Expansion and Enforcement Act of 2007; H.R. 1119, Purple Heart Family Equity Act of 2007; and H.R. 1071, September 11 Family Humanitarian Relief and Patriotism Act, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 1769, Endangered Salmon Predation Prevention Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3094, National Park Centennial Fund Act; and H.R. 2959, National Park Centennial Challenge Fund Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to consider the following: H.R. 312, Civilian Service Recognition Act of 2007; H.R. 928, Improving Government Accountability Act; H. Res. 554, Supporting the Goals and Ideals of National Passport Month; H.R. 3106, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 805 Main Street in Ferdinand, Indiana, as the "Staff Sergeant David L. Nord Post Office;" H.R. 2778, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3 Quaker Ridge Road in New Rochelle, New York, as the "Robert Merrill Postal Station;" H.R. 733, District of Columbia Budget Autonomy Act of 2007; H.R. 1054, District of Columbia Legislative Autonomy Act of 2007; H. Res. 544, Expressing the sympathy and pledging the support of the House of Representatives and the people of the United States for the victims of the devastating thunderstorms that caused severe flooding in 20 counties in eastern Kansas beginning on June 26, 2007; and Subpoenas, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Services, and the District of Columbia, hearings on Federal Compensation, Part 2, Benefits, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 2776, Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation Tax Act of 2007; and H.R. 3221, New Direction for Energy Independence, National Security, and Consumer Protection Act, 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, hearing entitled "Disaster Planning and Recovery: Are We Ready for Another Katrina?" 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider the following: H.R. 3246, Regional Economic and Infrastructure Development Act of 2007; H.R. 3224, Dam Rehabilitation and Repair Act of 2007; H.R. 3247. Hurricanes Katrina and Rita Recovery Facilitation Act of 2007; H.R. 409, To amend title 23, United States Code, to inspect highway tunnels; H.R. 2671, To designate the United States courthouse located at 301 North Miami Avenue, Miami, Florida, as the "C. Clyde Atkins United States Courthouse;" H.R. 2728, To designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 25762 Madison Avenue in Murrieta, California, as the "Theodore L. Newton, Jr., and George F. Azrak Border Patrol Station;" H. Res. 444, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Aviation Maintenance Technician Day, honoring the invaluable contributions of Charles Edward Taylor, regarded as the father of aviation maintenance, and recognizing the essential role of aviation maintenance technicians in ensuring the safety and security of civil and military aircraft; and H. Res. 549, Recognizing the importance of America's Waterway Watch programs, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Challenges Facing the Coast Guard's Marine Safety Program, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on Legislation Related to Trade with China, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Intelligence Community Update on Iraq, 10 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on CIA new Counter Terrorism Activity, 1 p.m., H–405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine freedom of the media in the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe region, 2 p.m., 340 CHOB.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

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The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 4 through July 31, 2007

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	117	107	..
Time in session	895 hrs., 41′	980 hrs., 13′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	10,529	9,251	..
Extensions of Remarks	..	1,667	..
Public bills enacted into law	13	35	..
Private bills enacted into law	..	..	..
Bills in conference	4	5	..
Measures passed, total	334	676	1,010
Senate bills	46	22	..
House bills	47	310	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	..	..
House joint resolutions	2	2	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	15	4	..
House concurrent resolutions	24	58	..
Simple resolutions	197	280	..
Measures reported, total	*235	*273	*508
Senate bills	136	2	..
House bills	28	189	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	..	..
House joint resolutions	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	6	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	3	6	..
Simple resolutions	59	76	..
Special reports	13	6	..
Conference reports	1	4	..
Measures pending on calendar	193	22	..
Measures introduced, total	2,246	4,108	6,354
Bills	1,901	3,269	..
Joint resolutions	16	47	..
Concurrent resolutions	42	195	..
Simple resolutions	287	597	..
Quorum calls	6	7	..
Yea-and-nay votes	286	346	..
Recorded votes	..	425	..
Bills vetoed	1	1	..
Vetoes overridden	..	..	..

* These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 139 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 288 reports have been filed in the House.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 4 through July 31, 2007

Civilian nominations, totaling 341, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	133
Unconfirmed	192
Withdrawn	16
Other Civilian nominations, totaling 2,229, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,226
Unconfirmed	3
Air Force nominations, totaling 5,959, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,132
Unconfirmed	827
Army nominations, totaling 2,386, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,814
Unconfirmed	572
Navy nominations, totaling 2,402, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	958
Unconfirmed	1,444
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,327, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,324
Unconfirmed	3

Summary

Total nominations carried over from the First Session	0
Total nominations received this Session	14,644
Total confirmed	11,587
Total unconfirmed	3,041
Total withdrawn	16
Total returned to the White House	0

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, August 2

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will resume consideration of the amendment of the House to S. 1, Legislative Transparency and Accountability Act, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon, and upon its disposition, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 976, Small Business Tax Relief Act.

Next Meeting of THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Thursday, August 2

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: To be announced.

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