Sunday, March 21, 2010

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 3590, The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Senate

Chamber Action
The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 22, 2010.

Committee Meetings
(Committees not listed did not meet)
No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 4897–4899, were introduced.

Additional Cosponsors:

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 229 yea to 189 nays, Roll No. 157.

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Friday, March 19th:

  Clarence D. Lumpkin Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 4840, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1979 Cleveland Avenue in Columbus, Ohio, as the “Clarence D. Lumpkin Post Office”, by a ⅔ yea-and-nay vote of 420 yea with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 155 and Pages H1821–22

  Supporting the goals and ideals of National Women’s History Month: H. Res. 1174, to support the goals and ideals of National Women’s History Month, by a ⅔ yea-and-nay vote of 420 yea with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 156. Pages H1822–23

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Saturday, March 20th:

  Commending the members of the Agri-business Development Teams of the National Guard for their efforts: H. Res. 1075, amended, to commend the members of the Agri-business Development Teams of the National Guard for their efforts, together with personnel of the Department of Agriculture and the United States Agency for International Development, to modernize agriculture practices and increase food production in war-torn countries, by a ⅔ yea-and-nay vote of 418 yea to 3 nays, Roll No. 158; Pages H1823–24

  Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Commending the members of the Agri-business Development Teams of the National Guard and the National Guard Bureau for their efforts, together with personnel of the Department of Agriculture and the United States Agency for International Development, to modernize agriculture practices and increase food production in war-torn countries.”. Page H1824
Supporting the goals and ideals of a Cold War Veterans Recognition Day: H. Res. 900, amended, to support the goals and ideals of a Cold War Veterans Recognition Day to honor the sacrifices and contributions made by members of the Armed Forces during the Cold War and encouraging the people of the United States to participate in local and national activities honoring the sacrifices and contributions of those individuals, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 429 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 161;  

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by members of the Armed Forces during the Cold War and encouraging the people of the United States to participate in local and national activities honoring the sacrifices and contributions of those individuals.”.  

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the meritorious service performed by aviators in the United States Armed Forces: H. Res. 925, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the meritorious service performed by aviators in the United States Armed Forces who were shot down over, or otherwise forced to land in, hostile territory yet evaded enemy capture or were captured but subsequently escaped, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 426 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 164;  

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the meritorious service performed by aviators in the United States Armed Forces who were shot down over, or otherwise forced to land in, hostile territory yet evaded enemy capture or were captured but subsequently escaped, or were compelled to endure arduous confinement, retaliation, and even death as a result of their efforts to evade capture or escape.”.  

Recognizing the 65th anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima: H. Res. 1099, amended, to recognize the 65th anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 421 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 168; and  

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that all people in the United States should participate in a moment of silence to reflect upon the service and sacrifice of members of the United States Armed Forces both at home and abroad: H. Res. 1119, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that all people in the United States should participate in a moment of silence to reflect upon the service and sacrifice of members of the United States Armed Forces both at home and abroad, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 169;  

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that all Americans should participate in a moment of silence to reflect upon the service and sacrifice of members of the United States Armed Forces both at home and abroad.”.  

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: The House concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 3590, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the first-time homebuyers credit in the case of members of the Armed Forces and certain other Federal employees, and for other purposes, by a recorded vote of 219 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 165.  

H. Res. 1203, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 3590) and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4872), was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 224 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 163, after the previous question was ordered by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 202 noes, Roll No. 162.  

Representative Ryan (WI) raised a point of order against the consideration of H. Res. 1203 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 159.  

Representative Issa raised a point of order against the consideration of H. Res. 1203 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 200 nays, Roll No. 160.  

Reconciliation Act of 2010: The House passed H.R. 4872, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 202 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010, by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 211 noes, Roll No. 167.  

Rejected the Camp motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Budget with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 199 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 166.  

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of H. Rept. 111–448, modified by the amendment printed in part B of H. Rept. 111–448, shall be considered as adopted.  

Pursuant to section 5 of the rule, in the engrossment of H.R. 4872, the Clerk shall amend the title so as to read: “An Act to provide for reconciliation
pursuant to Title II of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010 (S. Con. Res. 13)."

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Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Deal, wherein he resigned as Representative for the Ninth Congressional District of Georgia, effective 11:45 p.m. on Sunday, March 21, 2010.

Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of Representative Deal of Georgia, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 430.


Adjournment: The House met at 1 p.m. and adjourned at 12:02 a.m. on Monday, March 22, 2010.

Committee Meeting
No committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2010
(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate
Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, “Restoring American Financial Stability Act of 2010”, 5 p.m., SD–538.

House
Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Select Intelligence Oversight Panel, executive, on CIA Budget for FY 2011, 5 p.m., H–405 Capitol.
Committee on the Judiciary, hearing on Design Patents and Auto Replacement Parts, 3:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.
Committee on Rules, hearing on H.R. 4849, Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010, 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Joint Meetings
Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to receive a briefing on minorities and members of immigrant communities, focusing on reported instances of racial and ethnic profiling by police throughout the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) region, 2 p.m., CVC.
Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, March 22

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 3 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 1586, Tax on Bonuses Received From Certain TARP Recipients, with a series of up to three roll call votes at 5:30 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Monday, March 22

House Chamber

Program for Monday. To be announced.