

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills introduced: Fifteen public bills, H.R. 1344–1358; one private bill, H.R. 1359; and six resolutions, H.J. Res. 81–82; H. Con. Res. 53, and H. Res. 120, 122–123, were introduced. **Pages H3974–75**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 831, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, and to repeal the provision permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission (H. Rept. 104–92);

H. Res. 121, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompanying H.R. 831, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, and to repeal the provision permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission (H. Rept. 104–93); and

H.R. 1271, to provide protection for family privacy, amended (H. Rept. 104–94).

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Term Limits: By a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 204 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 277 (two-thirds of those present not voting in the affirmative), the House failed to pass H.J. Res. 73, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to the number of terms of office of Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

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Permission To Proceed: By a yea-and-nay vote of 212 yeas to 197 nays with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 273, the House agreed to permit Representative Hoke to proceed in order with general debate on H.J. Res. 73, speech after the Chair held that certain words be taken down as unparliamentary.

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Rejected:

The Peterson of Florida amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to make term limits retroactive taking into consideration service occurring before the amendment, limits lifetime service of the members of the House to six terms (12 years) and Members of the Senate to two terms (12 years), and that protects State laws limiting congressional terms of service if the State laws are shorter (rejected by a recorded vote of 135 ayes to 297 noes, Roll No. 274);

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The Inglis of South Carolina amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to limit lifetime service of Members of the House to three terms (6 years) and Members of the Senate to two terms (12 years), and that provides language that states a full term is considered as served if a Member serves more than 50 percent of that term (rejected by a recorded vote of 114 ayes to 316 noes, Roll No. 276); and

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The Hilleary amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to limit lifetime service of Members of the House to six terms (12 years) and Members of the Senate to two terms (12 years) and to provide that State law could preempt the legislation if the State limits are shorter (rejected by a recorded vote of 164 ayes to 265 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 276).

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The McCollum amendment in the nature of a substitute was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to limit lifetime service to twelve (12) years in either body and provides language that states a full term is considered as served if a Member serves more than 50 percent of that term.

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Presidential Message—Science and Technology: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits the Administration’s policy to make sound investments in science and technology—referred to the Committee on Science.

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H3975–78.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the house today and appear on pages H3896–97, H3940–41, H3949, H3958–59, and H3965. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 11:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:31 p.m.

Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT ACREAGE IDLING PROVISIONS—IMPACT ON PROGRAM COMMODITY CROPS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities held a hearing to review Government acreage idling provisions and their impact on program commodity crops. Testimony was heard from Keith Collins, Acting Chief Economist, USDA; and public witnesses.