

Japan, and the countries of the Asia-Pacific region, and that the people of Okinawa deserve recognition for their implementation;

S. Con. Res. 6, expressing concern for the continued deterioration of human rights in Afghanistan and emphasizing the need for a peaceful political settlement in that country, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. Con. Res. 21, congratulating the residents of Jerusalem and the people of Israel on the thirtieth anniversary of the reunification of that historic city.

TELEVISION PROGRAMMING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia concluded oversight hearings to discuss the influence of certain television programming on children's language development, reading skill, attention span, and attitudes toward violence, sexuality, and other behaviors, and the Federal Government's role in improving the content of programming, after receiving testimony from L. Brent Bozell III, Parents Television Council/Media Research Center, Alexandria, Virginia; Sarah S. Brown, National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, David Murray, Statistical Assessment Service, and Elayne Bennett, Best Friends Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.; Jane D. Brown, University of North Carolina School of Journalism and Mass Communications, Chapel Hill; Laurie Humphries, University of Kentucky College of Medicine, Lexington, on behalf of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry; and Mary Anne Layden, Center for Cognitive Therapy/University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of Joel I. Klein, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice;

S. 536, to establish a program to support and encourage local communities that first demonstrate a comprehensive, long-term commitment to reduce

substance abuse among youth, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 670, to eliminate the special transition rule for issuance of a certificate of citizenship for certain children born outside the United States.

CRIMINAL USE OF GUNS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on S. 191, to require a five-year mandatory minimum sentence for any violent or drug trafficking felon having a firearm in his or her possession during the commission of a heinous crime, and to review the impact of the Supreme Court's 1995 decision in *Bailey v. United States* on federal drug and violent crime prosecutions, after receiving testimony from Senator Helms; Kevin Di Gregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, and Walter C. Holton, Jr., United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina, both of the Department of Justice; George J. Terwilliger III, McGuire, Woods, Battle, and Boothe, former Deputy Attorney General of the United States, and Thomas G. Hungar, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, both of Washington, D.C.; Paul F. Evans, Boston Police Department, Boston, Massachusetts; Katina M. Johnstone, New Yorkers Against Gun Violence, New York, New York; and Anthony M. Wilson, Chantilly, Virginia.

GPO REFORM

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded hearings to review legislative recommendations on certain revisions to Title 44 of the U.S. Code which authorizes the Government Printing Office to provide permanent public access to Federal government information, after receiving testimony from Sally Katzen, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget; Richard L. Shiffrin, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; Francis J. Buckley, Shaker Heights Public Library, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Ben Cooper, Printing Industries of America, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; and Ronald G. Dunn, Information Industry Association, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 25 public bills, H.R. 1553-1577; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 78 and H. Con. Res. 77, were introduced.

Pages H2444-45

Reports Filed: One Report was filed as follows:

H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States, amended (H. Rept. 105-93).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ewing to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2353**

Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 350 yeas to 56 nays, Roll No. 110, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, May 7. **Page H2356**

Juvenile Crime Control Act of 1997: By a recorded vote of 286 yeas to 132 noes, Roll No. 118, the House passed H.R. 3, to combat violent youth crime and increase accountability for juvenile criminal offenses. **Pages H2356-98**

Rejected, by a recorded vote of 174 yeas to 243 noes, Roll No. 117, the Conyers motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages H2393-97**

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as amended. **Page H2387**

Agreed To:

The Meehan amendment that allows special priority for Byrne Discretionary Grants to public agencies that have strategies implemented or proposed that provide for cooperation between law enforcement agencies to disrupt the illegal sale or transfer of firearms to juveniles by tracing the sources of guns; **Pages H2382-83**

The Dunn amendment that requires states submit a plan that describes the process by which parents will be notified of a juvenile sex offenders enrollment in an elementary or secondary school, as a condition of eligibility for Byrne Grant funding (agreed to by a recorded vote of 398 yeas to 21 noes, Roll No. 116); and **Pages H2383-85, H2387**

The McCollum amendment that specifies that the Attorney General can certify that the interests of justice can be best served by proceeding against a juvenile as a juvenile rather than an adult; clarifies that the Attorney General instead of the Director of the Bureau of Justice assistance is authorized to provide grants; defines serious violent crime as murder, aggravated sexual assault, and assault with a firearm; allows funding for renovating temporary or permanent juvenile correction or detention facilities and training of correctional personnel; allows 180 days to process grant applications; and limits administrative costs of eligible units that receive funds to not more than 10 percent. **Pages H2385-87**

Rejected:

The Stupak amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to authorize \$1.5 billion in funding over three years for juvenile offender control and prevention grants with not less than 60 percent of the funding for prevention and intervention pro-

grams; not less than 10 percent of the funding for building or expanding secure juvenile correction or detention facilities for violent juvenile offenders; and not less than 20 percent of the funding for implementing graduated sanctions for juvenile offenders and improving State juvenile justice systems; expedites to 90 days the time in which a judge must decide whether to transfer a juvenile to adult court; increases the penalty for handgun possession; and provides a review to evaluate the effectiveness of federally funded programs for preventing juvenile violence and substance abuse (rejected by a recorded vote of 200 yeas to 224 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 111); **Pages H2360-73**

The Waters amendment that sought to delete the provision requiring the prosecution as adults of juveniles who are charged with conspiracy to commit drug crimes (rejected by a recorded vote of 100 yeas to 320 noes, Roll No. 112); **Pages H2373-76**

The Conyers amendment that sought to eliminate the provisions that expand current law regarding the prosecution of 13-year-olds as adults (rejected by a recorded vote of 129 yeas to 288 noes, Roll No. 113); **Pages H2374-77**

The Scott amendment that sought to strike the authorization to use juvenile accountability block grants for building, expanding or operating temporary or permanent juvenile correction or detention facilities (rejected by a recorded vote of 101 yeas to 321 noes, Roll No. 114); **Pages H2377-79, H2381**

The Lofgren amendment that sought to use juvenile accountability block grants for specified programs to prevent young Americans from becoming involved in crime or gangs and requires that not less than 50 percent of the grant amount received by local governments be used for these prevention programs (recorded vote of 191 yeas to 227 noes, Roll No. 115); **Pages H2379-82**

The Clerk was authorized to correct section numbers, cross-references, and punctuation, and to make such stylistic, clerical, technical, conforming, and other changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill. **Page H2398**

On May 7, the House agreed to H. Res. 143, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill. **Pages H2323-33**

Housing Authority and Responsibility Act: The House resumed consideration of amendments to H.R. 2, to repeal the United States Housing Act of 1937, deregulate the public housing program and the program for rental housing assistance for low-income families, and increase community control over such programs. The House completed all debate on Wednesday, April 30 and considered amendments to the bill on Thursday, May 1, Tuesday, May 6, and Wednesday, May 7. **Pages H2399-H2426**

Rejected:

The Nadler amendment that sought to increase funding for choice based rental housing and homeownership assistance by \$305 million to provide an additional 50,000 vouchers; **Pages H2405–08, H2412**

Votes postponed:

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that seeks to specify that of all families who receive choice based housing assistance, not less than 75 percent shall be families whose incomes do not exceed 30 percent of the area median income;

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The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that seeks to delete Title IV, the Home Rule Flexible Grant Option that gives local governments and municipalities the flexibility to administer Federal housing assistance.

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The Vento amendment that seeks to delete the Housing Evaluation and Accreditation Board that is to be established as an independent agency.

Pages H2417–20

On April 30, the House agreed to H. Res. 133, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill.

Pages H2035–38

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, May 12; and agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13 for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, May 14.

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Late Report: The Committee on International Relations received permission to have until midnight on Friday, May 9 to file a report on H.R. 1486, Foreign Policy Reform Act.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H2446–76.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2356, H2372–73, H2375–76, H2376–77, H2381, H2382, H2387, H2397, and H2397–98. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DAIRY AND RELATED PRODUCTS TRADE BETWEEN U.S. AND EUROPEAN UNION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing to review the sta-

tus and future prospects for trade in livestock, dairy, and poultry products between the United States and the European Union. Testimony was heard from Representative Watkins; Paul Drazek, Special Assistant to the Secretary, International Trade, USDA; and public witnesses.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia held a hearing on D.C. Privatization of the Financial Management System. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REAUTHORIZATIONS—EXPORT-IMPORT BANK AND U.S. PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy approved for full Committee action as amended the following bills: H.R. 1370, to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States; and H.R. 1488, to authorize U.S. participation in various international financial Institutions.

REVIEW OF EPA'S OZONE AND PARTICULATE MATTER NAAQS REVISIONS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment and Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued joint hearings on Review of EPA's Proposed Ozone and Particulate Matter NAAQS Revisions. Testimony was heard from Frederick W. Lipfert, Department of Applied Science, Brookhaven National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue May 15.

EXPANSION OF PORTABILITY AND HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on H.R. 1515, Expansion of Portability and Health Insurance Coverage Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representative Moran of Virginia; Kathleen Sebelius, Commissioner of Insurance, State of Kansas; and public witnesses.

DOLLARS TO THE CLASSROOM

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Dollars to the Classroom. Testimony was heard from Representatives Pitts, Graham and Blunt; Barbara Stock Nielsen, Superintendent of Education and CEO, Department of Education, State of South Carolina; and public witnesses.