

9th District of Illinois was offered and subsequently withdrawn. Pages H6217-18

Rejected:

The DeFazio amendment that sought to strike the provision that extends the recreational fee demonstration program for another 2 years (rejected by a recorded vote of 81 ayes to 341 noes, Roll No. 326); Pages H6213-14

The McDermott amendment that sought to strike Section 333 dealing with the operation or implementation of the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project (rejected by a recorded vote of 202 ayes to 221 noes, Roll No. 327); Pages H6214-15

The Hinchey amendment that sought to strike section 327 that grants Chugach Alaska Corporation an easement for public roads and related facilities that were conveyed to the corporation pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (rejected by a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 249 noes, Roll No. 328); Page H6215

The Miller of California amendment that sought to prohibit any funds to construct any road in the Tongass National Forest (rejected by a recorded vote of 186 ayes to 237 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 329); and Pages H6215-16

The Pappas amendment that sought to increase the State side grant program of the land and water conservation fund by \$50 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 139 ayes to 285 noes, Roll No. 330). Pages H6216-17

H. Res. 504, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 21.

VA, HUD Appropriations: The House resumed consideration of amendments to H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Pages H6219-77

Agreed To:

The Obey amendment that specifies that any limitation on funding to EPA or the Council on Environmental Quality shall not apply to educational outreach or informational seminars (agreed to by a recorded vote of 226 ayes to 198 noes, Roll No. 332); Pages H6219-25

Rejected:

The Waxman amendment that sought to specify that any limitation on funds to EPA or the Council on Environmental Quality shall not apply to regulatory determinations for mercury emissions, dredging as a remediation tool, and implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act, Regional Haze Program, or cleanup requirements for facilities licensed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (rejected by

a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 334); Pages H6244-57

Pending:

The Roemer amendment numbered 5 printed in the Congressional Record that seeks to cancel funding for the International Space Station. Pages H6264-75

H. Res. 501, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 16.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6283-95.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two quorum calls (Roll No. 324 and Roll No. 333), five yeas and nay votes, and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6201, H6201-02, H6202-03, H6207-08, H6212-13, H6213-14, H6214-15, H6215, H6215-16, H6216-17, H6218, H6225, H6241, and H6257.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 1:16 a.m. on Friday, July 24.

Committee Meetings

AMERICAN HOMEOWNERSHIP ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on H.R. 3899, American Homeownership Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL WORKPLACE DRUG-TESTING PROGRAMS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Department of Health and Human Services' Policy for Federal Workplace Drug-Testing Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Joseph Autry, M.D., Director, Division of Workplace Programs, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; Edward J. Cone, M.D., Acting Chief, Clinical Pharmacology Branch, Intramural Research Programs, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH; and Donald Bruce Burlington, M.D., Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 4237, amended, to amend the District of Columbia Convention Center and Sports Arena Authorization Act of 1995 to revise the revenues and activities covered under such Act; H.R. 2508, amended, to provide for the conveyance of Federal land in San Joaquin County, CA,

to the city of Tracy, CA; H.R. 4243, amended, to reduce waste, fraud, and error in Government programs by making improvements with respect to Federal management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, and Federal benefit programs; H.R. 4244, amended, Federal Procurement System Performance Measurement and Acquisition Workforce Training Act of 1998; H.R. 3725, amended, Postal Service Health and Safety Promotion Act; H.R. 2526, to amend title 5, United States Code, to make the percentage limitations on individual contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan more consistent with the dollar amount limitation on elective deferrals; H.R. 2566, amended, Civil Service Retirement System Actuarial Redeposit Act of 1997; H.R. 2943, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the amount of leave time available to a Federal employee in any year in connection with serving as an organ donor; H.R. 4259, Haskell Indians Nations University and Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute Administrative Systems Act of 1998; H.R. 4280, amended, to provide for greater access to child care services for Federal employees; H.R. 2623, to designate the United States Post Office located at 16250 Highway 603 in Kiln, Mississippi, as the "Ray J. Favre Post Office Building"; H.R. 3167, to designate the United States Post Office located at 297 Larkfield Road in East Northport, New York, as the "Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building"; H.R. 4052, to establish designations for United States Postal Service buildings located in Coconut Grove, Opa Locka, Carol City, and Miami, Florida; H.R. 3810, to designate the United States Post Office located at 202 Center Street in Garwood, New Jersey, as the "James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office"; H.R. 3939, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 658 63rd Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Edgar C. Campbell, Sr., Post Office Building"; H.R. 3999, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5209 Greene Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "David P. Richardson, Jr., Post Office Building"; H.R. 4000, amended, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 400 Edgmont Avenue, Chester, Pennsylvania, as the "Thomas P. Foglietta Post Office Building"; H.R. 4001, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2601 North 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Roxanne H. Jones Post Office Building"; H.R. 4002, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5300 West Jefferson Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Freeman Hankins Post Office Building"; and H.R. 4003, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2037 Chestnut

Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Max Weiner Post Office Building".

The Committee also approved the following draft report entitled: "Making the Federal Government Accountable: Enforcing the Mandate for Effective Financial Management".

EXPECTANT MOTHERS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on Expectant Mothers and Substance Abuse: Intervention and Treatment Challenges for State Governments. Testimony was heard from Representative Latham; the following officials of the State of South Carolina: Charles Condon, Attorney General; and Catherine Christophillis, Director, Drug Prosecution; Joanne Huelsman, Senator, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

KOSOVO—CURRENT SITUATION AND FUTURE OPTIONS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Kosovo—Current Situation and Future Options. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Robert Gelbard, Special Representative of the President and the Secretary of State for Implementation of the Dayton Peace Accords, Department of State; and Walter Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4049, Regulatory Fair Warning Act of 1998; and H.R. 4096, Taxpayer's Defense Act. Testimony was heard from Joseph N. Onek, Principal Deputy Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; Christopher McLean, Deputy Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—U.S. COPYRIGHT OFFICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on the United States Copyright Office. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Copyright Office of the United States, Library of Congress: Marybeth Peters, Register of Copyrights; and Shira Perlmutter, Associate Register, Policy and International Affairs.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE; PRIVATE IMMIGRATION BILLS; OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3843, to grant a Federal charter to the American GI Forum of the United States.

The Subcommittee approved private immigration bills.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Alternative Technologies for Implementation of Section 110 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1997 at Land Borders. Testimony was heard from Michael J. Hrinyak, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Inspections, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Joseph O’Gorman, National Team Leader, Land Border Passenger Processing, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

PATIENT PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule on H.R. 4250, Patient Protection Act of 1998, providing for one hour of debate, equally divided between Representative Hastert and an opponent. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the Rules committee report shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides for the consideration of an amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 2. The amendment shall be considered as read, and shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. All points of order against the amendment are waived. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bliley, Stearns, Bilbray, Ganske, Coburn, Lazio, Goodling, Graham, Paul, Ramstad, Johnson of Connecticut, Scarborough, Shadegg, Hastert, Brady of Texas, Thomas, Dingell, Pallone, Eshoo, Strickland, Clay, McDermott, Kleczka, Evans, and Berry.

NSF’S SYSTEMIC INITIATIVES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research held an oversight hearing on the National Science Foundation’s Systemic Initiatives: Are SSIs The Best Way to Improve K–12 Math and Science Education? Testimony was heard from Daryl E. Chubin, Director, Division of Research, Evaluation, and Communications, Directorate for Education and Human Resources, NSF; Thomas Baird, Area Cities for Educational Enhancement, Department of Education, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3482, to designate

the Federal building located at 11000 Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the “Abraham Lincoln Federal Building”; H.R. 3598, to designate the Federal building located at 700 East San Antonio Street in El Paso, Texas, as the “Richard C. White Federal Building”; S. 2032, amended, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the “Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building”; H.R. 4275, amended, Economic Development Partnership Act of 1998; and H.R. 4268, amended, National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved the following resolutions: 12 Corps of Engineers Survey; and 14 Public Buildings.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS; PROVISION OF SPECIALIZED SERVICES

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing to review the implementation of section 1706 of title 38, United States Code, which provides for the specialized treatment and rehabilitative needs of disabled veterans. Testimony was heard from Stephen P. Backhus, Director, Veterans’ Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Thomas H. Miller, Chairman, Advisory Committee on Prosthetics and Special Disabilities Programs; Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D., Deputy Under Secretary, Health; Denis J. Fitzgerald, M.D., Director, VISN 1 and Leroy P. Gross, M.D., Director, VISN 6, both with the Veterans Integrated Services Network; representatives of veterans organizations; and a public witness.

SSA—LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings to examine labor-management relations at the SSA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SSA: John Reusing, Claims Authorizer, Division of International Operations; Jim Beckstrom, Computer Specialist, Office of Systems; Jim Schampers, District Manager, Waco, Texas; and Edwin M. Hardesty, District Manager, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ACT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session and ordered reported amended H.R. 3829, Intelligence Community Whistleblower Protection Act of 1998.

CIA—WHISTLEBLOWER REGULATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on CIA's new Whistleblower Regulation. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

DENIAL AND DECEPTION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Denial and Deception. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings**IMF STRUCTURE**

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the financial condition of the International Monetary Fund, after receiving testimony from Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Associate Director of International Relations and Trade Issues, General Accounting Office.

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. 817)

H.R. 1316, to amend chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the order of precedence to be applied in the payment of life insurance benefits. Signed July 22, 1998. (P.L. 105-205)

H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service. Signed July 22, 1998. (P.L. 105-206)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
JULY 24, 1998****Senate**

No committee meetings are scheduled.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, to mark up appropriations for fiscal year 1999, 9 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to continue hearings on H.R. 4062, Financial Derivatives Supervisory Improvement Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Enhancing Retirement Security Through Individual Investment Choices, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on International Brotherhood of Teamsters Governance and Practice, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 4083, to make available to the Ukrainian Museum and Archives the USIA television program "Window on America"; H.R. 633, to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to provide that the annuities of certain special agents and security personnel of the Department of State be computed in the same way as applies generally with respect to Federal law enforcement officers; H. Con. Res. 185, expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and recommitting the United States to the principles expressed in the Universal Declaration; and H.R. 4309, Tortures Victim Relief Act of 1998; followed by a hearing on Human Rights in Indonesia, Part II, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, hearing on H. Res. 507, providing special investigative authority for the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 11:30 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social Security to continue hearings to examine labor-management relations at the SSA, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on Future Imagery Architecture, 11 a.m., H-405 Capitol.