

Facilities Program funding by the same amount (rejected by a recorded vote of 136 ayes to 286 noes, Roll No. 386); and

Pages H7140–42, H7160–61

The DeGette amendment that sought to strike section 103 that prohibits any funds to be used to pay for an abortion except where the life of the mother is endangered, or in the case of rape (rejected by a recorded vote of 148 ayes to 271 noes, Roll No. 387).

Pages H7143–46; H7161

Withdrawn:

The Metcalf amendment that sought to repeal Sec. 110 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996; and

Pages H7146–47

The Jackson-Lee amendment that sought to prohibit the transfer of any handgun without a trigger locking device.

Pages H7147–48

Pending:

The Pallone amendment numbered 44 printed in the Congressional Record that seeks to increase funding for non-point source pollution control by \$8 million;

Pages H7165–67

The Engel amendment that seeks to increase funding for the Public Telecommunications Facilities Planning (PTFP) program by \$5 million;

Pages H7167–69

The Royce amendment numbered 15 printed in the Congressional Record that seeks to eliminate \$180.2 million funding for the Advanced Technology Program (ATP);

Pages H7169–70

The Bartlett amendment numbered 3 printed in the Congressional Record that seeks to strike the funding for payment of arrearages to meet obligations of membership in the United Nations, and to pay assessed expenses of international peacekeeping activities; and

Pages H7170–72

The Talent amendment that seeks to increase funding for the Small Business Investment Program by \$7.090 million.

Pages H7173–74

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate appears on page H7122.

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H7179–80.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea and nay vote and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7104, H7105, H7115, H7158–59, H7159, H7159–60, H7160–61, and H7161. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:34 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 3617, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund Amendments Act of 1998; H.R. 4364, Depository Institution Regulatory Streamlining Act of 1998.

### PORTALS INVESTIGATION

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his representatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payment of fees to those representatives. Testimony was heard from Franklin L. Haney, Franklin L. Haney Company.

Hearings continue August 7.

### IMPEDIMENTS TO UNION DEMOCRACY

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations continued hearings on Impediments to Union Democracy, Part III: Rank and File Rights at the American Radio Association. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### CAMPAIGN FINANCING INVESTIGATION—NEED FOR INDEPENDENT COUNSEL

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Held a hearing on "The Need for an Independent Counsel in the Campaign Finance Investigation". Testimony was heard from following officials of the FBI, Department of Justice: Louis J. Freeh, Director; and James V. Desarno, Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Special Agent in Charge of the Department of Justice Campaign Finance Task Force; and Charles G. LaBella, former Chief, Department of Justice Campaign Finance Task Force.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; PRIVATE IMMIGRATION BILLS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 4006, Lethal Drug Abuse Prevention Act of 1998; and H.R. 2921, Multi-channel Video Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1997.

The Committee also approved private immigration bills.

**U.S./RUSSIAN NATIONAL SECURITY ISSUES**

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a hearing on U.S./Russian national security issues. Testimony was heard from Stanislav Lunev, former Colonel, Russian Military Intelligence (GRU).

**OVERSIGHT—FIRE SUPPRESSION**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Fire Suppression. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, GAO; Wally Josephson, Wildland Fire Specialist, Office of Managing Risk and Public Safety, Department of the Interior; Janice McDougal, Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry, Forest Service, USDA; and James W. Garner, State Forester, Department of Forestry, State of Virginia.

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE FLUENCY ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 3892, English Language Fluency Act. The rule provides for a 3 hour time limit on the amendment process, after which no further amendment shall be in order except those printed in the Congressional Record, with each further amendment and all amendments thereto to be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by a proponent and an opponent.

The rule makes in order the Committee on Education and the Workforce amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for amendment purposes, which shall be considered as read. The rule provides for the consideration of the manager's amendment numbered 1 printed in the Congressional Record if offered by Representative Riggs or his designee, which shall be considered as read, shall not be subject to amendment or to a division of the question, and shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. If adopted, the amendment is considered as part of the base text for further amendment purposes. The rule provides that after the disposition of the amendment numbered 1, it shall be in order to consider the amendment numbered 2 printed in the Congressional Record if offered by Representative Riggs or his designee, which shall be considered as read, and including all amendments thereto, shall be debatable for 30 minutes equally divided between the proponent and an opponent.

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the

bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodling and Representatives Riggs and Martinez.

**LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Rules:* Heard testimony from Representatives Porter, Tiahrt, Istook, Shaw, Smith of New Jersey, Castle, Greenwood, Riggs, Manzullo, LoBiondo, Brady of Texas, English of Pennsylvania, Obey, Lowey, and Nadler, but action was deferred on H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

**OVERSIGHT**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Technology held an oversight hearing on Developing Partnerships for Assistive and Universally Designed Technologies for Persons with Disabilities. Testimony was heard from John Lancaster, Executive Director, President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities; and public witnesses.

**"E-RATE" PROGRAM—FUNDING MECHANISMS**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the Funding Mechanisms of the "E-Rate" Program. Testimony was heard from Representatives Weller, Tauzin and Blumenauer; and the following officials of the FCC: Harold Furchtgott-Roth, Commissioner; and Christopher J. Wright, General Counsel.

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**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1998**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

No meetings are scheduled.

**House**

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing on H.R. 4366, Food Stamp Verification Act of 1998, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services,* to mark up the following bills; H.R. 4239, Financial Contract Netting Improvement Act of 1998; and H.R. 4321, Financial Information Privacy Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Commerce,* to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3844, Wireless Communications and Public Safety