

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 55 public bills, H.R. 1330–1384; 2 private bills, H.R. 1385–1386; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 93–96, and H. Res. 110, 112–113, were introduced. **Pages H1406–10**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 768, to amend the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 to make permanent the favorable treatment of need-based educational aid under the antitrust laws (H. Rept. 107–32);

H.R. 642, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, amended (H. Rept. 107–33);

H.R. 601, to ensure the continued access of hunters to those Federal lands included within the boundaries of the Craters of the Moon National Monument in the State of Idaho pursuant to Presidential Proclamation 7373 of November 9, 2000, and to continue the applicability of the Taylor Grazing Act to the disposition of grazing fees arising from the use of such lands, amended (H. Rept. 107–34);

H.R. 581, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to use funds appropriated for wildland fire management in the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, to reimburse the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service to facilitate the interagency cooperation required under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 in connection with wildland fire management (H. Rept. 107–35);

H.R. 182, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Eight Mile River in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, amended (H. Rept. 107–36);

H.R. 8, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to phaseout the estate and gift taxes over a 10-year period, amended (H. Rept. 107–37);

H.R. 974, to increase the number of interaccount transfers which may be made from business accounts at depository institutions, to authorize the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to pay interest on reserves, amended (H. Rept. 107–38); and

H. Res. 111, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to phaseout the estate and gift taxes over a 10-year period (H. Rept. 107–39). **Page H1406**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Aderholt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1353**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, the Rev. Ronald F. Christian, Lutheran Social Services, Fairfax, Virginia. **Page H1356**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:54 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H1356**

**Committee on Judiciary—Permission to File Reports During Recess:** The Committee on the Judiciary was given permission to have until Friday, April 20th to file reports on H.R. 392, Private Relief Bill for Nancy Wilson; H.R. 503, Unborn Victims of Violence Act; H.R. 863, Consequence for Juvenile Offenders Act; H.R. 1209, Child Status Protection Act; and H.J. Res. 41, Tax Limitation Constitutional Amendment. **Page H1360**

**Committee on Financial Services—Permission to File Report:** The Committee on Financial Services received permission to have until midnight to file a report on H.R. 1088, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to reduce fees collected by the Securities and Exchange Commission. **Page H1385**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following suspensions:

**Need-Based Educational Aid:** H.R. 768, to amend the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 to make permanent the favorable treatment of need-based educational aid under the antitrust laws (passed by a ye and nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 76); **Pages H1360–62, H1384–85**

**Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness:** H. Con. Res. 59, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the establishment of National Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week. Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H1362–64**

**Human Rights Situation in Cuba:** H. Res. 91, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the human rights situation in Cuba (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 347 yeas to 44 nays with 22 voting "present", Roll No. 77); **Pages H1364–74, H1385**

**Human Rights Violations in China and Tibet:** H. Res. 56, amended, urging the appropriate representative of the United States to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to introduce at the annual meeting of the Commission a resolution calling upon the People's Republic of China to end its human rights violations in China and Tibet

(agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 406 yeas to 6 nays with 6 voting “present”, Roll No. 78); and

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**Small Business Interest Checking:** H.R. 974, amended, to increase the number of interaccount transfers which may be made from business accounts at depository institutions, to authorize the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to pay interest on reserves. Agreed to amend the title.

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**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed:** The House completed debate on the following motions to suspend the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Wednesday, April 3.

**Chesapeake Bay Office of NOAA:** H.R. 642, amended, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and

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**Revised Edition of “Women in Congress”:** H. Con. Res. 66, authorizing the printing of a revised and updated version of the House document entitled “Women in Congress, 1917–1990”

**Pages H1380–84**

**Committee to Attend the Funeral of the Late Honorable Norman Sisisky, a Representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia:** Pursuant to H. Res. 107, the Chair announced the Speaker’s additional appointment of the following members to the committee to attend the funeral of the late Honorable Norman Sisisky: Representatives Waxman, Frost, Sensenbrenner, Hoyer, Levin, Spratt, Condit, Edwards, Reyes, and Turner.

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**District Work Period:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 93, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1384, H1385, and H1385–86. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### USDA DOMESTIC FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry held a hearing to review the USDA domestic food distribution programs. Testimony was heard from Representative Hall of Ohio; George A. Braley, Act-

ing Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on District of Columbia held a hearing on Corrections and Related Activities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Kathleen Hawk Sawyer, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons; Don Horton, U.S. Marshal, U.S. District Court; and Todd Dillard, U.S. Marshal, D.C. Superior Court; the following officials of the District of Columbia: John L. Clark, D.C. Corrections Trustee; Jasper Ormond, Interim Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency; and Cynthia Jones, Director, Public Defenders Service

### LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION—FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

**Committee on Education and the Workforce:** Subcommittee on Select Education held a hearing on Department of Education Financial Management. Testimony was heard from Lorraine Lewis, Inspector General, Department of Education; Jeffrey Steinhoff, Managing Director, Financial Management and Assurance Division, GAO; and a public witness.

### INFORMATION PRIVACY

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing on An Examination of Existing Federal Statutes Addressing Information Privacy. Testimony was heard from Richard Varn, Chief Information Officer, State of Iowa; and public witnesses.

### PROTECTING AMERICAN INTERESTS ABROAD

**Committee on Government Reform:** Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs and International Relations held a hearing on “Protecting American Interests Abroad: U.S. Citizens, Businesses, and Non-governmental Organizations.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Peter Bergin, Director, Diplomatic Security Service, Co-Chairman, Overseas Security Advisory Council; Dianne Andruch, Managing Director, Overseas Citizen Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs; Leonard Rogers, Acting Assistant Administrator, Humanitarian Response, AID; and John McCarthy,