

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 1580–1592; 1 private bill, H.R. 1593; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 45; H. Con. Res. 106–109, and H. Res. 123 were introduced. **Pages H1604–05**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Biggert to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1561**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. John F. Baldwin, Captain, Chaplain Corps, United States Navy, Retired, of Chicago, Illinois. **Page H1561**

Tax Limitation Constitutional Amendment: With $\frac{2}{3}$ required to pass, the House failed to pass H.J. Res. 41, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations, by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 87. **Pages H1568–82**

Earlier, H. Res. 118, the rule that provided for consideration of the joint resolution was agreed to by voice vote. **Pages H1563–67**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H1561.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page H1582. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM COMMODITY PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on Federal Farm Commodity Programs, with the corn industry. Testimony was heard from Lee Klein, President Corn Growers Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ENERGY SUPPLY AND DEMAND ISSUES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development held a hearing to review energy supply and demand issues affecting the agricultural sector of the U.S. economy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies held a hearing on Budget Overview and Foreign Agricultural Service (International Programs). Testimony was heard from Ann M. Veneman, Secretary of Agriculture.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on NSA. Testimony was heard from Lt. Gen. Michael V. Hayden, USAF, Director, NSA.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army: Claudia L. Tornblom, Acting Assistant Secretary, Civil Works; Lt. Gen. Robert B. Flowers, USA, Chief, Corps of Engineers; Maj. Gen. Hans A. Van Winkle, USA, Deputy Commanding General, Civil Works; and Rob Vining, Chief, Programs Management Division, Directorate of Civil Works.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Secretary of the Interior. Testimony was heard from Gale A. Norton, Secretary of the Interior.

LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education held a hearing on the Secretary of Education. Testimony was heard from Roderick R. Paige, Secretary of Education.