

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:57 a.m. and reconvened at 5:46 p.m. **Page H6015**

**National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002:** The House passed H.R. 2586, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy and to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces by a recorded vote of 398 ayes to 17 noes, Roll No. 359. Agreed to amend the title. The House also considered the bill on Sept. 20.

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Rejected the Bonior motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with amendments that strike section 331 dealing with FY 2002 limitations on workforce reviews and insert the text of subtitle G on Service Contracting Reform at the end of title III by a recorded vote of 197 ayes to 221 noes, Roll No. 358. **Page H6040–41**

Agreed To:

Stump managers amendment No. 1 printed in House Report 107–218 that makes various changes including a funding increase for F–22 testing, allowing the use of DOD resources for public safety and security at the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, and permitting the Secretary of Defense to accept monetary contributions for the purpose of reconstructing the Pentagon; **Pages H6016–19**

Stump amendment No. 2 printed in House Report 107–218 that commends the DOD decision to establish the Defense of Freedom medal to recognize the sacrifices of civilian personnel who are killed or wounded as a result of hostile action; **Pages H6019–20**

Traficant amendment No. 3 printed in House Report 107–218 that permits the assignment of military personnel to border patrol duties at the request of the Attorney General and Secretary of the Treasury (agreed to by a recorded vote of 242 ayes to 173 noes, Roll No. 356); and **Pages H6020–22, H6032**

Stump amendment No. 5 printed in House Report 107–218 that increases funding for activities to combat terrorism by \$400 million. **Pages H6025–32**

Rejected:

Sanchez amendment No. 4 printed in House Report 107–218 that sought to allow abortions to be performed in overseas military hospitals (rejected by a recorded vote of 199 ayes to 217 noes, Roll No. 357). **Pages H6022–25, H6032–33**

The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill. **Page H6043**

Agreed to H. Res. 246, the rule that providing for consideration of the bill by voice vote.

**Pages H6013–15**

**Meeting Hour—Friday, September 28:** Agreed that when the House adjourns on Wednesday, September 26, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. on Friday, September 28. **Page H6043**

**Meeting Hour—Tuesday, October 2:** Agreed that when the House adjourns on Friday, September 28, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2, for morning hour debate. **Page H6043**

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, October 3. **Page H6043**

**Senate Message:** Messages received from the Senate today appears on page H6015.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5983, H6004–05, H6009, H6009–10, H6010–11, H6032, H6033, H6041–42, and H6042–43. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **NURSING SHORTAGE**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Held a hearing on “The Nursing Shortage: Causes, Impact and Innovate Remedies.” Testimony was heard from Representatives Kelly, and McCarthy of New York; and public witnesses.

### **U.S. POLICY TOWARDS THE PALESTINIANS**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia continued hearings on U.S. Policy Towards the Palestinians, Part II. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **OVERSIGHT—FOREST SERVICE RECREATION FEE DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM EXTENSION**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Permanent Extension of the Forest Service Recreation Fee Demonstration Program. Testimony was heard from

Denny Bschor, Acting Associate Deputy Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands approved for full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 980, to establish the Moccasin Bend National Historic Site in the State of Tennessee as a unit of the National Park System; and H.R. 1776, Buffalo Bayou National Heritage Area Study Act.

#### NSF SPONSORED AGRICULTURAL BIOTECHNOLOGY RESEARCH

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Research held a hearing on Strengthening NSF Sponsored Agricultural Biotechnology Research, focusing on the following bills: H.R. 2051, to provide for the establishment of regional plant genome and gene expression research and development centers; and H.R. 2912, to authorize the National Science Foundation to establish a grant program for partnerships between United States research organizations and those in developing countries for research on plant biotechnology. Testimony was heard from Mary E. Clutter, Assistant Director, Biological Sciences Directorate, NSF; and public witnesses.

#### DEPARTMENT OF LABOR'S APPRENTICESHIP APPROVAL PROCESS—REMOVING RED TAPE

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight held a hearing titled "Removing Red Tape from the Department of Labor's Apprenticeship Approval Process." Testimony was heard from Representative Wicker; and public witnesses.

#### AVIATION SECURITY—FUTURE OF AVIATION INDUSTRY

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation continued hearings on Aviation Security and the Future of the Aviation Industry. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### MEDICARE REGULATORY AND CONTRACTING REFORM ACT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on H.R. 2768, Medicare Regulatory and Contracting Reform Act of 2001. Testimony was heard from Thomas Scully, Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Leslie

Aronovitz, Director, Healthcare Program Administration and Integrity Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

#### PROMOTING SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES AMENDMENTS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Human Resources approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2873, Promoting Safe and Stable Families Amendments of 2001.

### *Joint Meetings*

#### ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1, to close the achievement gap with accountability, flexibility, and choice, so that no child is left behind, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

#### MOLDOVA

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission):* Commission concluded hearings to examine the situation in Moldova, focusing on developments in the Transdnistria region and the promised withdrawal of Russian military forces as well as armaments and ammunition from Moldova, after receiving testimony from Steven Pifer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs; Ceslav Ciobanu, Ambassador of the Republic of Moldova to the United States, and Charles King, Georgetown University Department of Government, both of Washington, D.C.; Kimmo Kiljunen, Parliament of Finland and Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Parliamentary Assembly's Working Group on Moldova, Helsinki, Finland; and William Hill, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Mission to Moldova, Chisinau.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings to examine Administration's perspective with regard to the new federal farm bill; immediately following, a hearing on the nominations of Elsa A. Murano, of Texas, to be Under Secretary for Food Safety, and Edward