

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 92 public bills, H.R. 2, 953–1044; and 29 resolutions, H.J. Res. 26; H. Con. Res. 57–76, and H. Res. 109–118 were introduced. Pages H1459–66

**Additional Cosponsors:** Pages H1466–67

**Reports Filed:** No reports were filed today.

**Human Cloning Prohibition Act:** The House passed H.R. 534, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit human cloning by yea and nay vote of 241 yeas to 155 nays, Roll No. 39. Pages H1407–1438

Rejected the Lofgren motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back forthwith with amendments that exempt products derived from an embryo (including pluripotent stem cells) for use in various medical treatments by recorded vote of 164 yeas to 237 noes, Roll No. 38. Pages H1436–38

**Agreed To:**

Scott amendment No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 108–21, as modified, that sought to require a GAO study after consultation with the National Academy of Sciences to assess the need (if any) for amendment of the prohibition on human cloning. Page H1423

**Rejected:**

Greenwood amendment in the nature of a substitute No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 108–21 that sought to prohibit human somatic cell nuclear transfer technology to initiate a pregnancy and allow its use for medical research (rejected by recorded vote of 174 yeas to 231 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 37). Pages H1423–36

H. Res. 105, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote. Pages H1397–1407

**Legislative Program:** The Majority Leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of March 3. Page H1439

**Meeting Hour—Monday, March 3 and Tuesday, March 4:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, March 3 and agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, for morning hour debate. Pages H1439–40

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, March 5. Page H1440

**Committee Resignation:** Without objection, the Chair accepted the resignation of Representative

Brady of Pennsylvania from the Committee on Small Business. Page H1440

**Presidential Message—National Emergency re Cuba’s Destruction of Civilian Aircraft:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted a notice stating that the emergency declared with respect to the Government’s of Cuba’s destruction of two unarmed U.S. registered civilian aircraft in international airspace north of Cuba on February 24, 1996, is to continue in effect beyond March 1, 2003—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H.Doc. 108–42). Page H1440

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea and nay vote and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1436, H1437–38, and H1438. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 1 p.m. and adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Sub committee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies held a hearing on Secretary of Agriculture. Testimony was heard from Ann M. Veneman, Secretary of Agriculture.

### INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on Secretary of Energy. Testimony was heard from Spencer Abraham, Secretary of Energy.

### VA, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Sub committee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on Community Development Financial Institutions. Testimony was heard from Tony Brown, Director, Community Development Financial Institutions, Department of the Treasury.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Office of Science and Technology Policy. Testimony was heard from John H. Marburger, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy.