

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 2658, Defense Appropriations.

House and Senate met in a Joint Meeting to Receive the Right Honorable Tony Blair, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland.

House passed H.R. 2691, Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9515–S9585*

**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1422–1431. (See next issue.)

#### Measures Reported:

S. 1424, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. (S. Rept. No. 108–105)

S. 1426, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. (S. Rept. No. 108–106)

S. 1427, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. (S. Rept. No. 108–107)

S. Con. Res. 53, honoring and congratulating chambers of commerce for their efforts that contribute to the improvement of communities and the strengthening of local and regional economies.

(See next issue.)

#### Measures Passed

**Defense Appropriations:** By a unanimous vote of 95 yeas (Vote No. 290), Senate passed H.R. 2658, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S9516–45, S9547–58, S9560–75**

Adopted:

Dodd Amendment No. 1276, to require a review and report regarding the effects of use of contractual offset arrangements and memoranda of understanding and related agreements on the effectiveness of buy-American requirements. **Pages S9519–20**

By 81 yeas to 15 nays (Vote No. 286), Byrd Amendment No. 1281, to state the sense of Congress on funding of ongoing overseas military operations, including overseas contingency operations. **Pages S9536–45**

Stevens (for Santorum) Amendment No. 1285, to make available from amounts available for Operation and Maintenance, Army Reserve, \$2,000,000 for a Software Engineering Institute Information Assurance Initiative. **Pages S9562–63**

Stevens Amendment No. 1286, to provide up to \$10,000,000 of Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide funds for civil-military programs and the Innovative Readiness Training (IRT) program. **Pages S9562–63**

Stevens (for Allard) Amendment No. 1287, to increase by \$10,000,000 the amount of Missile Procurement, Air Force funds set aside for assured access to space. **Pages S9562–63**

Stevens Amendment No. 1288, to provide for a study of mail delivery to troops in the Middle East. **Pages S9562–63**

Stevens Amendment No. 1289, to conform the appropriation provision relating to use of RDT&E, Defense-Wide funds for an initial set of missile defense capabilities to the corresponding authorization provision. **Pages S9562–63**

Stevens (for Kyl) Amendment No. 1290, to make available from amounts available for Research, Development, Test and Evaluation for the Air Force, \$4,000,000 for adaptive optics research. **Pages S9562–63**

Stevens (for Chafee) Amendment No. 1291, to make available from amounts available for Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Navy, \$1,000,000 for the completion of the Rhode Island Disaster Initiative. **Pages S9562–63**

Stevens (for Warner) Amendment No. 1292, to make available from amounts available for military personnel, \$8,000,000 for the costs during fiscal year 2004 of an increase in the amount of the death gratuity payable with respect to members of the Armed Forces from \$6,000 to \$12,000. **Pages S9562-63**

Stevens (for Collins/Snowe) Amendment No. 1293, to make available from amounts available for Shipbuilding and Conversion, Navy, \$20,000,000 for DDG-51 modernization planning. **Pages S9562-63**

Stevens (for Nickles) Amendment No. 1294, to make available from amounts available for Operation and Maintenance, Army, \$4,000,000 for the Army Museum of the Southwest at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma. **Pages S9562-63**

Stevens (for Roberts) Amendment No. 1295, to limit the use of funds for the privatization or transfer to another Federal agency of the prison guard functions at the United States Disciplinary Barracks at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. **Pages S9562-63**

Stevens (for Voinovich) Amendment No. 1296, to make available from amounts available for Operation and Maintenance, Marine Corps, \$6,000,000 for the purchase of HMMWV tires. **Pages S9562-63**

Stevens (for Burns) Amendment No. 1297, to make available from amounts available for National Guard Personnel, Army, \$2,500,000 for Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commemoration Activities, and to make available from amounts available for Operation and Maintenance, Army National Guard, \$1,500,000 for such activities. **Pages S9562-63**

Stevens (for Chambliss) Amendment No. 1298, to prohibit the use of funds to decommission a Naval or Marine Corps Reserve aviation squadron pending a Comptroller General report on the requirements of the Navy and Marine Corps for tactical aviation. **Pages S9562-63**

Stevens (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 1299, to limit the use of funds for converting to contractor performance of Department of Defense activities and functions. **Pages S9563-64**

Stevens (for Hatch) Amendment No. 1300, to appropriate funds to settle certain claims of United States prisoners of war who performed forced or slave labor for Japanese companies during World War II. **Pages S9564-66**

Inouye (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 1301, to make available from amounts available for Procurement, Defense-Wide, \$20,000,000 for procurement of secure cellular telephones for the Department of Defense and the elements of the intelligence community. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Boxer) Amendment No. 1302, to make available from amounts available for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army,

\$5,000,000 to support Shortstop Electronic Protection Systems research and development efforts. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Durbin) Amendment No. 1303, to require a study of the mission of the 932nd Airlift Wing, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Mikulski) Amendment No. 1304, to make available from amounts available for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Defense-Wide, \$3,000,000 for Project Ancile. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Mikulski) Amendment No. 1305, to make available from amounts available for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, \$2,000,000 for Knowledge Management Fusion. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Schumer/Clinton) Amendment No. 1306, to make available from amounts available for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Army, \$3,000,000 for the Large Energy National Shock Tunnel (LENS). **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 1307, to make available from amounts available for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Defense-Wide, \$7,000,000 for the Ultra-low Power Battlefield Sensor System. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Biden) Amendment No. 1308, to require a report on the feasibility of developing and deploying a nuclear debris collection and analysis capability to permit the characterization of detonated nuclear devices. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Bayh/Lugar) Amendment No. 1309, to make available amounts available for Operation and Maintenance, Army, \$15,000,000 for upgrades for M1A1 Abrams tank transmissions. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye Amendment No. 1310, to make available amounts available for Operation and Maintenance, Army, \$2,000,000 to promote civil rights education and history in the Army. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Harkin) Amendment No. 1311, to require reports on safety issues due to defective parts. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Wyden/Byrd) Amendment No. 1312, to require a report on the reconstruction of Iraq. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Boxer) Amendment No. 1313, to provide travel reimbursement to the spouses and dependents of deployed military personnel when they visit family members. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Biden) Amendment No. 1314, to make available amounts available for Aircraft Procurement, Air Force, \$19,700,000 for C-5 aircraft in-service modifications for the procurement of additional C-5 aircraft Avionics Modernization Program kits. **Page S9566-69**

Inouye (for Schumer/Bingaman) Amendment No. 1315, to require a report on the establishment of police and military forces in Iraq. **Pages S9560–62**

Inouye (for Byrd/Grassley) Amendment No. 1316, to continue in effect a provision of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2003, relating to evaluations of creditworthiness for issuance of Government charge cards. **Pages S9566–69**

Rejected:

Durbin Amendment No. 1277, to limit the availability of funds for the Intelligence Community Management Account pending a report on the development and use of intelligence relating to Iraq and Operation Iraqi Freedom. (By 62 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 287), Senate tabled the amendment.)

**Pages S9520–29, S9545**

Byrd Amendment No. 1283, to rescind \$1,100,000,000 of the amounts appropriated for procurement and research, development, test and evaluation, and to appropriate \$1,100,000,000 for fighting AIDS/HIV, tuberculosis, and malaria. (By 71 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 288), Senate tabled the amendment.)

**Pages S9547–57**

Withdrawn:

Feingold Amendment No. 1279, to state the sense of the Senate on a report on the detention and April 11, 2003, escape in Yemen of the suspects in the attack on the USS *Cole*. **Pages S9531–32**

Kennedy Amendment No. 1280, to limit the use of funds of converting to contractor performance of Department of Defense activities and functions.

**Pages S9529–31, S9563**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Stevens, Cochran, Specter, Domenici, Bond, McConnell, Shelby, Gregg, Hutchison, Burns, Inouye, Hollings, Byrd, Leahy, Harkin, Dorgan, Durbin, Reid, and Feinstein.

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**Memorial Construction Authority Extension:** Senate passed S. 470, to extend the authority for the construction of a memorial to Martin Luther King, Jr., after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **(See next issue.)**

**Land Conveyance Act:** Senate passed S. 490, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Nevada, to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Washoe Indian Tribe of Nevada and California, after agreeing to the committee amendments.

**(See next issue.)**

**Buffalo Soldier Commemoration Act:** Senate passed S. 499, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish in the State of

Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **(See next issue.)**

**Paleontological Resources Preservation Act:** Senate passed S. 546, to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **(See next issue.)**

**Hibben Center for Archaeological Research Act:** Senate passed S. 643, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the University of New Mexico, to construct and occupy a portion of the Hibben Center for Archaeological Research at the University of New Mexico, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

**(See next issue.)**

**National Trails System Willing Seller Act:** Senate passed S. 651, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the majority of the trails in the System, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

**(See next issue.)**

**Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area Boundary Revision Act:** Senate passed S. 677, to revise the boundary of the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area in the State of Colorado, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **(See next issue.)**

**Lands Exchange:** Senate passed S. 924, to authorize the exchange of lands between an Alaska Native Village Corporation and the Department of the Interior, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **(See next issue.)**

**Vietnam Veterans Memorial Education Center Act:** Senate passed S. 1076, to authorize construction of an education center at or near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

**(See next issue.)**

**Easement Grant:** Senate passed H.R. 255, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant an easement to facilitate access to the Lewis and Clark Interpretative Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska, clearing the measure for the President.

**(See next issue.)**

**Kris Eggle Visitor Center Designation Act:** Senate passed H.R. 1577, to designate the visitor center in Organ Pipe National Monument in Arizona as the "Kris Eggle Visitor Center", clearing the measure for the President. **(See next issue.)**

**Land Conveyance Act:** Senate passed H.R. 74, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Nevada, to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Washoe Indian Tribe of Nevada and California, clearing the measure for the President.

(See next issue.)

**Foundation for the National Institutes of Health Improvement Act:** Senate passed S. 314, to make improvements in the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health.

(See next issue.)

**William J. Scherle Post Office Building:** Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1399, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 South Vine Street in Glenwood, Iowa, as the "William J. Scherle Post Office Building", and the bill was then passed.

(See next issue.)

**Honoring Chambers of Commerce:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 53, honoring and congratulating chambers of commerce for their efforts that contribute to the improvement of communities and the strengthening of local and regional economies.

(See next issue.)

**Homeland Security Appropriations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of H.R. 2555, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, at 1:30 p.m., on Monday, July 21, 2003.

(See next issue.)

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. EX. 289), Allyson K. Duncan, of North Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

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Louise W. Flanagan, of North Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Gwendolyn Brown, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Susan C. Schwab, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

George H. Walker, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Hungary.

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**Messages From the House:** (See next issue.)

**Measures Referred:** (See next issue.)

**Measures Placed on Calendar:** (See next issue.)

**Executive Communications:** (See next issue.)

**Petitions and Memorials:** (See next issue.)

**Executive Reports of Committees:** (See next issue.)

**Additional Cosponsors:** (See next issue.)

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** (See next issue.)

**Additional Statements:** Pages S9582–84

**Amendments Submitted:** (See next issue.)

**Notices of Hearings/Meetings:** (See next issue.)

**Authority for Committees to Meet:** (See next issue.)

**Privilege of the Floor:** (See next issue.)

**Record Votes:** Five record votes were taken today. (Total—290) Pages S9544–45, S9557, S9559, S9572

**Adjournment:** Senate met at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 9:30 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Monday, July 21, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9584.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

**Committee on Appropriations:** Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill (S. 1426) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004;

An original bill (S. 1427) making appropriations for agriculture, rural development and food and drug administration and related agencies programs for fiscal year ending September 30, 2004; and

An original bill (S. 1424) making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004.

Also, committee began consideration of an original bill, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, but did not take final action thereon, and will continue on Thursday, July 24.

### FEDERAL HOUSING ENTERPRISE OVERSIGHT

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** Committee concluded hearings to examine regulatory oversight of government sponsored enterprise accounting practices, focusing on the role of a federal financial safety and soundness regulator, an approach to examining accounting practices and controls over financial reporting, executive compensation, corporate governance, and legislative enhancements,

after receiving testimony from Armando Falcon, Jr., Director, Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1389, to authorize appropriations for the Surface Transportation Board for fiscal years 2004 through 2008, with amendments;

S. 1402, to authorize appropriations for activities under the Federal railroad safety laws for fiscal years 2004 through 2008, with amendments;

S. 1250, to improve, enhance, and promote the Nation's homeland security, public safety, and citizen activated emergency response capabilities through the use of enhanced 911 services, to further upgrade Public Safety Answering Point capabilities and related functions in receiving E-911 calls, and to support the construction and operation of a ubiquitous and reliable citizen activated system;

S. 1401, to reauthorize the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, with amendments;

S. 1400, to develop a system that provides for ocean and coastal observations, to implement a research and development program to enhance security at United States ports, to implement a data and information system required by all components of an integrated ocean observing system and related research, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1404, to amend the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act, with amendments;

S. 1395, to authorize appropriations for the Technology Administration of the Department of Commerce for fiscal years 2004 through 2005, with amendments; and

The nominations of Nicole R. Nason, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, and Pamela Harbour, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner.

### DOE LABORATORY MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the contrast between management of science and technology resources by the Department of Energy with management of such resources in other agencies and in the private sector towards the goal of suggesting approaches for optimizing DOE's management and use of its science and technology resources, after receiving testimony from William Schneider, Jr., Chairman, Defense Science Board, Department of Defense; John H. Gibbons, Resource Strategies, The Plains, Virginia,

former Assistant to the President for Science and Technology, and former Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Victor H. Reis, Hicks and Associates, Inc., Washington, D.C.; and William J. Spencer, International SEMATECH, Austin, Texas.

### EXOTIC ANIMALS

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the importation of exotic species and the impact on public health and safety, after receiving testimony from Senator Ensign; John Clifford, Associate Deputy Administrator, Veterinary Services, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture; Lester M. Crawford, Deputy Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, and Stephen M. Ostroff, Deputy Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Marshall P. Jones, Jr., Deputy Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Gabriela Chavarria, National Wildlife Federation, Reston, Virginia, on behalf of the National Environmental Coalition on Invasive Species; Robert A. Cook, Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs, on behalf of the Wildlife Conservation Society; and N. Marshall Meyers, Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council, Washington, D.C.

### NURSING HOME QUALITY

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded hearings to examine nursing home quality, focusing on reports of abuse and neglect and federal efforts to improve conditions in nursing homes, after receiving testimony from Senator Bond; Dara Corrigan, Acting Principal Deputy Inspector General, and Thomas A. Scully, Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Care Issues, General Accounting Office; Mary K. Ousley, Sun Bridge Health Care Center, Albuquerque, New Mexico, on behalf of the American Health Care Association; Jeanne M. Hodgson, Ranson, West Virginia; and Sheila E. Albores, Oak Park, Illinois.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1416, to implement the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement; and

S. 1417, to implement the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement.

### BENEFITS FOR VICTIMS OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM ACT

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee held hearings to examine S. 1275, to establish a comprehensive federal program to provide benefits to U.S. victims of international terrorism, focusing on issues including the importance of blocked assets for U.S. foreign policy and national security interests, and maintaining a proper balance between administrative and litigation alternatives for international terrorism claims, receiving testimony from William H. Taft IV, Legal Adviser, Department of State; and Stuart E. Eizenstat, Covington and Burling, and Allan Gerson, George Washington University and Gerson International Law Group, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

### MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings to examine certain situations where parents must relinquish custody in order to secure mental health services for their children, focusing on adolescent males with severe mental health problems, limitations in private and public insurance, difficulties accessing services through mental health and education agencies, and expanding community mental health services and supporting families, after receiving testimony from Charles G. Curie, Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services

Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; J. Robert Flores, Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice; and Cornelia M. Ashby, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, General Accounting Office.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1416, to implement the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement;

S. 1417, to implement the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement;

S. Con. Res. 53, honoring and congratulating chambers of commerce for their efforts that contribute to the improvement of communities and the strengthening of local and regional economies; and

The nominations of Kathleen Cardone, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, James I. Cohn, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, Frank Montalvo, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, Xavier Rodriguez, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, and Christopher A. Wray, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Jack Landman Goldsmith III, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Measures Introduced:** 24 public bills, H.R. 2766–2789; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 247, and H. Res. 323, were introduced. **Pages H7084–85**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7085–86**

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

H.R. 2765, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 108–214).

H. Res. 287, directing the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution all physical and electronic records and documents in his possession related to any use of

Federal agency resources in any task or action involving or relating to Members of the Texas Legislature in the period beginning May 11, 2003, and ending May 16, 2003, except information the disclosure of which would harm the national security interests of the United States, with amendments (H. Rept. 108–215);

H.R. 1572, to designate the historic Federal District Court Building located at 100 North Palafox Street in Pensacola, Florida, as the “Winston E. Arnow Federal Building”, amended (H. Rept. 108–216);

H.R. 1668, to designate the United States courthouse located at 101 North Fifth Street in Muskogee, Oklahoma, as the “Ed Edmondson United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 108–217);

H.R. 1038, to increase the penalties to be imposed for a violation of fire regulations applicable to

the public lands, National Park System lands, or National Forest System lands when the violation results in damage to public or private property, to specify the purpose for which collected fines may be used, referred sequentially to the House Committee on the Judiciary for a period ending not later than Sept. 15, 2003 for consideration of such provisions of the bill as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(K), rule X (H. Rept. 108–218, Pt. 1).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Biggett to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H7023**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:35 p.m. for the purpose of receiving Prime Minister Tony Blair in a Joint Meeting. The House reconvened at 5:31 p.m.; and agreed that the proceedings had during the Joint Meeting be printed in the Record. **Page H7062**

**Joint Meeting to Receive the Right Honorable Tony Blair, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland:** The House and Senate met in a Joint Meeting to receive Prime Minister Tony Blair. He was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives DeLay, Blunt, Bereuter, Lewis of California, Petri, King of New York, Brown-Waite, Pelosi, Hoyer, Menendez, Clyburn, DeLauro, Skelton, and Lantos; and Senators Frist, McConnell, Stevens, Santorum, Hutchison, Kyl, Allen, Lugar, Campbell, Dole, Daschle, Reid, Mikulski, Biden, Leahy, and Dodd.

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**Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations:** The House passed H.R. 2691, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, by yea-and-nay vote of 268 yeas to 152 nays, Roll No. 389. The bill was also considered on July 16.

**Pages H7025 (continued next issue)**

Agreed To:

Slaughter amendment No. 10 printed in the Congressional Record of July 15 and debated on July 16 that increases funding for the National Endowment for the Arts by \$10 million and increases funding for the National Endowment for the Humanities by \$5 million with offsets from the National Park Service, Departmental Management, and National Forest System was offered. (agreed to by recorded vote of 225 ayes to 200 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 376);

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Sanders amendment that increases funding for weatherization assistance grants by \$15 million with offsets from other energy conservation activities;

**Pages H7027–28**

Bereuter amendment No. 12 printed in the Congressional Record of July 16 that prohibits any funds

to be used for the implementation of a competitive sourcing study at the Midwest Archaeological Center in Lincoln, Nebraska or the Southeast Archaeological Center in Tallahassee, Florida (agreed to by recorded vote of 362 ayes to 57 noes, Roll No. 387);

**(See next issue.)**

Taylor of North Carolina amendment to the Udall of Colorado amendment No. 1 that applies the provisions to any lands within a designated National Monument, Wilderness Study Area, National Park System unit, National Wildlife Refuge System unit or lands within the National Wilderness Preservation System (agreed to by recorded vote of 226 ayes to 194 noes, Roll No. 388); and

**(See next issue.)**

Udall of Colorado amendment No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of July 10, as amended, that prohibits funds to implement amendments to Bureau of Land Management regulations on Recordable Disclaimers of Interest in Land (subpart 1864 of part 1860 of title 43, Code of Federal Regulations) as adopted on January 6, 2003 with regard to any lands within a designated National Monument, Wilderness Study Area, National Park System unit, National Wildlife Refuge System unit or lands within the National Wilderness Preservation System;

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Rejected:

DeFazio amendment No. 18 printed in the Congressional Record of July 16 that sought to extend authorization for the Recreation Fee Demonstration Program to activities under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service only (rejected by recorded vote of 184 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 377);

**Pages H7033–36, H7055**

Hefley amendment that sought to reduce all funding by one percent (rejected by recorded vote of 81 ayes to 341 noes, Roll No. 378);

**Pages H7040–41, H7055–56**

Tancredo amendment No. 17 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to increase Wildland Fire Management funding by \$57.4 million with offsets from the National Endowment for the Arts (rejected by recorded vote of 112 yes to 313 noes, Roll No. 379);

**Pages H7042–43, H7056–57**

Blumenauer amendment No. 14 printed in the Congressional Record of July 16 that sought to prohibit any funding to be used to enter into any new commercial agricultural lease on the Lower Klamath and Tule Lake National Wildlife Refuge in the States of Oregon and California that permits the growing of row crops or alfalfa (rejected by recorded vote of 197 ayes to 228 noes, Roll No. 380);

**Pages H7043–47, H7057**

Shadegg amendment that increases funding for Wildland Fire Management hazardous fuels reduction activities by \$19 million with offsets from the

Department of Agriculture Land Acquisition program (rejected by recorded vote of 128 ayes to 298 noes, Roll No. 381); **Pages H7048–49, H7057–58**

Gallely amendment that sought to prohibit any funding to administer any action related to the baiting of bears except to prevent or prohibit such activity (rejected by recorded vote of 163 ayes to 255 noes, Roll No. 382); **Pages H7049–51, H7076**

Rahall amendment No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of July 14 that sought to prohibit any funds to kill, or assist others in killing, any Bison in the Yellowstone National Park herd (rejected by recorded vote of 199 ayes to 220 noes, Roll No. 383); **Pages H7051–54, H7076–77**

Udall of New Mexico amendment No. 9 printed in the Congressional Record of July 15 that sought to prohibit any funding to finalize or implement the proposed revisions to subpart A of part 219 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, relating to National Forest System Planning for Land and Resource management Plans, as described in the proposed rule published in the Federal Register on December 6, 2002 (rejected by recorded vote of 198 ayes to 222 noes, Roll No. 384); **Pages H7062–68, H7077–78**

Holt amendment No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of July 14 that sought to prohibit any funding to manage recreational snowmobile use in Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks and the John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway; except in accordance with national Park Service One-year Delay Rule published November 18, 2002 (rejected by recorded vote of 210 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 385); **Pages H7069–75, H7078**

Inslee amendment that sought to prohibit any funds to be used to propose, finalize, or implement any change to subpart B of part 294 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, entitled Protection of Inventoried Roadless Areas (rejected by recorded vote of 185 ayes to 234 noes, Roll No. 386);

**Pages H7082 (continued next issue)**

Point of order sustained against:

King of Iowa amendment No. 16 printed in the Congressional Record of July 16 that sought to prohibit any funds to be used to subject management of the Missouri River to the imposition of any regulatory action under the Endangered Species Act; and

**Pages H7079–81**

Matheson substitute amendment to the Udall of Colorado amendment No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of July 10 that sought to apply the provisions to any lands in National Parks, Wilderness Areas, Wilderness Study Areas, National Wildlife, Refuges, National Monuments, military bases, or any roads except public highways, roads, or streets that are traveled ways maintained by a county or incorporated municipality; over which a conventional

two-wheel drive vehicle may travel, and with regard to private property. **(See next issue.)**

Withdrawn:

Sessions amendment No. 7 printed in the Congressional Record of July 15 was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to strike section 335 that prohibits any funds to be used to initiate any new competitive sourcing studies at the Department of the Interior; **Pages H7037–38**

Manzullo amendment No. 5 printed in the Congressional Record of July 15 was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to prohibit the procurement of manufactured materials unless section 2 of the Buy American Act is applied by substituting “at least 65 percent” for “substantially all”; **Pages H7041–42**

John amendment No. 6 printed in the Congressional Record of July 15 was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit any funds to be used to prosecute any individual for killing migratory birds on or over land or water where seeds or grains have been scattered solely as the result of manipulated re-growth of a harvested rice crop; **Pages H7078–79**

H. Res. 319, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 16.

**Energy and Water Appropriations—Order of Business:** Agreed that it be in order at any time, for the Speaker, as though pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule 18, to declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of H.R. 2754, Energy and Water Appropriations, which shall proceed according to the following order: The first reading shall be dispensed with, all points of order against consideration are waived, and general debate shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled. The bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule and the amendment placed at the desk shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. Points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI are waived except for section 310. During consideration of the bill for further amendment, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment, the Committee shall rise and report the bill as amended to the House with such further amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto

to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions. (See next issue.)

**Tax Relief, Simplification, and Equity Act Motions to Instruct Conferees:** The House rejected the Michaud motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308, Tax Relief, Simplification, and Equity Act that was debated on July 16 by yea-and-nay vote of 202 yeas to 214 nays, Roll No. 390. Subsequently, the House debated the Bell motion, noted on July 16, to instruct conferees on the same bill. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. Earlier, Representative Van Hollen announced his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on the bill.

(See next issue.)

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7023.

Referral: S. 555 and S. 558 were referred to the Committees on Resources and Energy and Commerce, and S. 570 was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce. **Page H7084**

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H7086.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and thirteen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7054–55, H7055, H7055–56, H7056–57, H7057, H7057–58 (continued next issue). There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:53 a.m. on Friday, July 18.

## Committee Meetings

### HEALTH INSURANCE CERTIFICATE ACT

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the Health Insurance Certificate Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### REVIEW DOE'S RADIOACTIVE HIGH-LEVEL WASTE CLEANUP PROGRAM

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "A Review of DOE's Radioactive High-Level Waste Cleanup Program." Testimony was heard from Robin M. Nazzaro, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; Jesse Roberson, Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management, Department of Energy; Michael Wilson, Program Director, Nuclear and Mixed Waste Program, Department of Ecology, State of Washington; and David Wilson, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Land and Waste Management, Department of Health and Environmental Control, State of South Carolina.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Government Reform:* Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 2548, amended, Federal Property Asset Management Reform Act of 2003; and H.R. 2746, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 141 Weston Street in Hartford, Connecticut, as the "Barbara B. Kennelly Post Office Building."

### "A NEW MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT: IS IT GOOD FOR SENIORS?"

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness held a hearing on "A New Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit: Is it Good for Seniors?" Testimony was heard from Representatives Gutknecht and Emanuel; and public witnesses.

### PIRACY DETERRENCE AND EDUCATION ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property held a hearing on H.R. 2517, Piracy Deterrence and Education Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from Jana Monroe, Assistant Director, Cyber Division, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—FORENSIC DNA TECHNOLOGY

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security held an oversight hearing on "Advancing Justice Through Forensic DNA Technology." Testimony was heard from Sarah V. Hart, Director, National Institute of Justice, Department of Justice; Paul B. Ferrara, M.D., Director, Division of Forensic Science, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL AND ECONOMIC SECURITY

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on "The Role of Strategic and Critical Minerals in Our National and Economic Security." Testimony was heard from Charles G. Groat, Director, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 958, Hydrographic Services Amendments of 2003; H.R. 1204, to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to establish requirements for the award of concessions in the National Wildlife Refuge System, to provide for maintenance and repair of properties located in the

System by concessionaires authorized to use such properties; H.R. 2048, International Fisheries Reauthorization Act of 2003; and H.R. 2408, National Wildlife Refuge Volunteer Act of 2003.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1598, Irvine Basin Surface and Groundwater Improvement Act of 2003; and H.R. 1732, Williamson County Water Recycling Act of 2003.

#### U.S. FIRE ADMINISTRATION AUTHORIZATION ACT

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Research approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2692, United States Fire Administration Authorization Act of 2003.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from Representative Camp; David Paulison, U.S. Fire Administrator and Director, Preparedness Division of the Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate/FEMA, Department of Homeland Security; Arden Bement, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Technology Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### ENDANGERED FARMERS AND RANCHERS

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Agriculture and Technology held a hearing on Endangered Farmers and Ranchers: the Unintended Consequences of the Endangered Species Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Pombo; Harold Manson, Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; Thomas Sullivan, Chief Counsel, Office of Advocacy, SBA; and public witnesses.

#### WATER QUALITY FINANCING ACT; WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment approved for full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1560, Water Quality Financing Act of 2003; and H.R. 2557, Water Resources Development Act of 2003.

#### U.S.-SINGAPORE FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT; U.S.-CHILE FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2739, United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act; and

H.R. 2738, United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act.

#### WASTE, FRAUD AND ABUSE

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Held a hearing on Waste, Fraud and Abuse. Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; Joseph R. Brimacombe, Deputy Director, Compliance Policy, Small Business—Self Employed Division, IRS, Department of the Treasury; James G. Huse, Jr., Inspector General, SSA; Bill Jordan, Senior Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

#### FIRST RESPONDERS

*Select Committee on Homeland Security:* Held a hearing entitled "First Responders: How States, Localities and the Federal Government Can Strengthen Their Partnership to Make America Safer." Testimony was heard from Mitt Romney, Governor, State of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JULY 18, 2003

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing entitled, "Facing the Methamphetamine Problem in America," 10 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Reform, and the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight of the Committee on Small Business, joint hearing entitled "What is OMB's Record in Small Business Paperwork Relief?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations, hearing entitled "Humanitarian Assistance Following Military Operations: Overcoming Barriers—Part II," 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, to mark up H.J. Res. 63, to approve the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia," and the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands," and otherwise to amend Public Law 99-239, and to appropriate for the purposes of amended Public Law 99-239 for fiscal years ending on or before September 30, 2023, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* to mark up H.R. 1776, Pension Preservation and Savings Expansion Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

1 p.m., Monday, July 21

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Friday, July 18

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 1:30 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 2555, Homeland Security Appropriations.

## House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Consideration of H.R. 2754, Energy and Water Appropriations (unanimous consent, one hour of debate).

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