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## INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 50 public bills, H.R. 739–788; 1 private bill, H.R. 789; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 53–56, and H. Res. 84–86, were introduced. **Pages H581–84**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H584**

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

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Fossella to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H525**

**REAL ID Act of 2005:** The House passed H.R. 418, to establish and rapidly implement regulations for State driver's license and identification document security standards, to prevent terrorists from abusing the asylum laws of the United States, to unify terrorism-related grounds for inadmissibility and removal, and to ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence, by a yea-and-nay vote of 261 yeas to 161 nays, Roll No. 31. The measure was also considered yesterday, February 9. **Pages H527–66**

According to the provisions of H. Res. 75, the manager's amendment (printed in part A of H. Rept. 109–4) was adopted and considered as the original bill for the purpose of amendment. **Page H527**

Rejected the Reyes motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the bill back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 195 yeas to 229 noes, Roll No. 30. **Pages H564–66**

Agreed to:

Sessions amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–4) that promotes the goal of 100 percent repatriation of all aliens ordered deported by clarifying obligations under the Department of Homeland Security's existing delivery bond authority; **Pages H540–44**

Castle amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–4) that requires the Secretary of Homeland Security to enter into the appropriate aviation security screening database the appropriate back-

ground information of any person convicted of using a false drivers' license for the purpose of boarding an airplane; and **Pages H544–46**

Kolbe amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–4) that adds a Title III to the bill regarding Vulnerability and Threat Assessment, Ground Surveillance Pilot Program, Enhancement of Border Communications Integration and Information Sharing, and adds the Judiciary Committee to the reporting requirements and removes references to the "Select" Committee on Homeland Security. **Pages H546–48**

Rejected:

Nadler amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 109–4), that sought to strike section 101 of the bill regarding preventing terrorists from obtaining asylum (by a recorded vote of 185 yeas to 236 noes, Roll No. 28) (Earlier, objection was heard on the unanimous consent request to modify the amendment); **Pages H548–53, H558**

Farr amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 109–4) that sought to strike section 102 regarding the waiver of laws necessary for improvements of barriers at borders (by a recorded vote of 179 yeas to 243 noes, Roll No. 29). **Pages H553, H558–59**

H. Res. 75, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 27. **Pages H535–36**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourn today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, February 14; and further that when it adjourn on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 15 for morning hour debate. **Page H568**

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, February 16. **Page H568**

**United States Group of the North Atlantic Assembly appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members to

the United States Group of the North Atlantic Assembly: Representative Hefley, Chairman; Representative Burton, Vice Chairman; and Representatives Regula, Gillmor, Ehlers, Bilirakis, Shimkus, and Reynolds. **Page H575**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and nay-votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H535–36, H558, H558–59, H565–66 and H566. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### ENERGY POLICY ACT OF 2005

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled “The Energy Policy Act of 2005: Ensuring Jobs for Our Future with Secure and Reliable Energy.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: David K. Garman, Assistant Secretary, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; Cynthia Marlette, General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Guy F. Caruso, Administrator, Energy Information Administration; Luis Reyes, Executive Director, Operations, NRC; and public witnesses.

### MEDICAL LIABILITY REFORM

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Current Issues Related to Medical Liability Reform.” Testimony was heard from Jose Montemayor, Commissioner of Insurance, Department of Insurance, State of Texas; and public witnesses.

### FLU SHOT SUPPLY—PERPLEXING SHIFT FROM SHORTAGE TO SURPLUS

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing entitled “The Perplexing Shift from Shortage to Surplus: Managing This Season’s Flu Shot Supply and Preparing for the Future.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Julie L. Gerberding, M.D., Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Jesse L. Goodman, M.D., Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, FDA; Robert B. Stroube, M.D., Commissioner, Department of Health, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

### FISCAL YEAR 2006 DRUG BUDGET

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing entitled “Fiscal Year 2006 Drug Budget.” Testimony was heard from John P. Wal-

ters, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and a public witness.

### PROPOSED BUDGET—TERRORISM PREPAREDNESS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Held a hearing entitled “The Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 Budget: Enhancing Terrorism Preparedness for First Responders.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Penrose Albright, Assistant Secretary, Science and Technology Directorate; and Matt A. Mayer, Acting Executive Director, Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness; and Dennis Reimer, Director, National Memorial Institute for the Prevention of Terrorism.

### BRIEFING—MIDDLE EAST PROCESS

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on The Way Forward in the Middle East Peace Process. Testimony was heard from former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL SENTENCING GUIDELINES—BOOKER/FANFAN DECISIONS IMPLICATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held an oversight hearing on the Implications of the Booker/Fanfan Decisions for the Federal Sentencing Guidelines. Testimony was heard from Christopher A. Wray, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Ricardo H. Hinojosa, Chairman, United States Sentencing Commission; and public witnesses.

### INDIAN TRIBE RECOGNITION

*Committee on Resources:* Held a hearing on H.R. 512, to require the prompt review by the Secretary of the Interior of the longstanding petitions for Federal recognition of certain Indian tribes. Testimony was heard from Michael Olsen, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Robin M. Nazzaro, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL POWER GENERATION

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held an oversight hearing entitled “Opportunities and Challenges on Enhancing Federal Power Generation and Transmission.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.