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INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 3020–3042; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 184–187 were introduced. **Page H4984**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H4984–85**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2006 (H. Rept. 109–145);

H.R. 1316, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to repeal the limit on the aggregate amount of campaign contributions that may be made by individuals during an election cycle, to repeal the limit on the amount of expenditures political parties may make on behalf of their candidates in general elections for Federal office, to allow State and local parties to make certain expenditures using nonfederal funds, to restore certain rights to exempt organizations under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, amended (H. Rept. 109–146);

H.R. 1158, to reauthorize the Steel and Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1988 (H. Rept. 109–147); and

H. Res. 337, a resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3010) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health, and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–148). **Pages H4983–84**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. Dr. Richard Lapehn, Pastor, Milton Presbyterian Church in Rittman, Ohio. **Page H4899**

Constitutional Amendment to Prohibit Flag Desecration: The House agreed to H.J. Res. 10, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea and nay vote of 286 yeas to 130 nays, Roll No. 296. **Pages H4904–28**

Agreed to table the appeal of a point of order sustained against the Taylor of Mississippi motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary

with instructions to report the bill back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 222 yeas to 194 noes, Roll No. 294.

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Rejected:

Watt amendment in the nature of a substitute (printed in H. Rept. 109–140) that sought to require that any statute enacted by the Congress pursuant to the proposed Constitutional Amendment must be consistent with the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution (by a recorded vote of 129 yeas to 279 nays, Roll No. 293). **Pages H4919–24**

H. Res. 330, the rule providing for consideration of the measure was agreed to yesterday, June 21.

Legislative Branch Appropriations Act for FY 2006: The House passed H.R. 2985, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, by a yea and nay vote of 330 yeas to 82 nays, Roll No. 303. **Pages H4928–62**

Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, by a recorded vote of 180 yeas to 232 noes, Roll No. 302.

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Agreed to:

Flake amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 109–144) that reduces the GPO Congressional Printing and Binding budget to reduce the number of Congressional Records printed each day.

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Rejected:

McHenry amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 109–144) that sought to increase funding for general expenses of the Capitol Police; **Pages H4957–58**

Baird amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 109–144) that sought to strike Title III, relating to

Continuity in Representation (by a recorded vote of 143 ayes to 268 noes, Roll No. 299);

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Jo Ann Davis of Virginia amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 109–144) that sought to strike the language in the bill prohibiting the Capitol Police from operating a mounted horse unit, and requiring the transfer of the current horses and equipment to the U.S. Park Police (by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 226 noes, Roll No. 300); and

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Hefley amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 109–144) that sought to reduce overall appropriations in the bill by 1 percent (by a recorded vote of 114 ayes to 294 noes, Roll No. 301).

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H. Res. 334, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 298, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 219 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 297.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4923–24, H4925, H4926–27, H4927–28, H4933, H4933–34, H4959, H4959–60, H4960–61, H4961–62, and H4962. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA FOREST SERVICE CENTENNIAL

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to Review the Centennial of the USDA Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Dale Bosworth, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

U.S. COAST GUARD, DEEPWATER PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on U.S. Coast Guard, Deepwater Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security: ADM Thomas Collins, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard; and RADM Patrick Stillman, USCG, Executive Officer, Deepwater Program.

U.N. TASK FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Science, The Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the United Nations Task Force. Testimony was heard from the following Co-Chairs of the Task Force on the United

Nations: former Senator George Mitchell of Maine; and former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich of Georgia; and Philo Dibble, Acting Assistant Secretary, International Organizations, Department of State.

AFGHANISTAN: OPERATIONS AND RECONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Afghanistan: Operations and Reconstruction. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Peter Rodman, Assistant Secretary, International Security Affairs; and LTG Walter Sharp, USA, Director, Strategic Plans and Policy, J–5, The Joint Staff; and Nancy Powell, Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State.

BUDGET PROCESS

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Budgeting in the Congress, Reflections on How the Budget Process Functions. Testimony was heard from former Representative Bill Frenzel of Minnesota; and public witnesses.

PENSION PROTECTION ACT OF 2005

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2830, Pension Protection Act of 2005.

NATIONAL ALL SCHEDULES PRESCRIPTION ELECTRONIC REPORTING ACT OF 2005; MEDICAID PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 1132, National All Schedules Prescription Electronic Reporting Act of 2005.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing entitled “Medicaid Prescription Drugs: Examining Options for Payment Reform.” Testimony was heard from Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Director, CBO; Kathy King, Director, Health Care, GAO; and public witnesses.

COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology held a hearing entitled “Combating Trafficking in Persons: An International Perspective.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Wasted Space, Wasted Dollars: The Need for Federal Real Property Management Reform.” Testimony was heard from Clay Johnson, Deputy Director, Management, OMB; and David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO.