

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 6049–6051, were introduced. **Page H6369**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H6369**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5815, to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal years 2006 and 2007, with amendments (H. Rept. 109–643);

H.R. 4583, to amend the Wool Products Labeling Act of 1939 to revise the requirements for labeling of certain wool and cashmere products, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–644); and

H.R. 5503, to amend the National Housing Act to increase the mortgage amount limits applicable to FHA mortgage insurance for multifamily housing located in high-cost areas (H. Rept. 109–645).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Campbell to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6367**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H6367.

Senate Referrals: S. 1998 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; S. 2200, S. 2697, and S. 3722 were referred to the Committee on International Relations; and S. 2590 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea-and-Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 11 through September 16,
2006

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 4 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 4954, SAFE Port Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business,

including appropriation bills and conference reports, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: September 14, Subcommittee on Energy and Water, to hold hearings to examine an overview of the Global Nuclear Energy Partnership, including proposed advanced reaction technologies for recycling nuclear waste, 9:30 a.m., SD–138.

September 14, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the British system versus the U.S. system relating to catching terrorists, 9:30 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 12, to hold hearings to examine Treasury's role in combating terrorist financing five years after 9/11, 10 a.m., SD–538.

September 13, Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, with the Subcommittee on Economic Policy, to hold joint hearings to examine the housing bubble and its implications for the economy, 10 a.m., SD–538.

September 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense's report on predatory lending practices directed at members of the armed forces and their dependents, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 12, to hold hearings to examine pending nominations, 10 a.m., SR–253.

September 14, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings to examine rural air service, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: September 12, to hold hearings to examine the effects of the BP pipeline failure in the Prudhoe Bay Oil Field on U.S. oil supply and to examine what steps may be taken to prevent a recurrence of such an event, 10 a.m., SD–106.

September 13, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of David Longly Bernhardt, of Colorado, to be Solicitor, John Ray Correll, of Indiana, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, and Mark Myers, of Alaska, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, all of the Department of the Interior, and other pending legislation, 11:30 a.m., SD–628.

September 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of C. Stephen Allred, of Idaho, to be Assistant Secretary, and Robert W. Johnson, of Nevada, to be Commissioner of Reclamation, both of the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD–628.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: September 13, business meeting to consider H.R. 5689, to amend the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users to make technical corrections, S. 1848, to promote remediation of inactive and abandoned mines, S. 3630, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize a program relating to the Lake Pontchartrain Basin, H.R. 3929, to amend

the Water Desalination Act of 1996 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to assist in research and development, environmental and feasibility studies, and preliminary engineering for the Municipal Water District of Orange County, California, Dana Point Desalination Project located at Dana Point, California, S. 3617, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act, H.R. 5061, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey Paint Bank National Fish Hatchery and Wytheville National Fish Hatchery to the State of Virginia, S. 3551, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Tylersville division of the Lamar National Fish Hatchery and Fish Technology Center to the State of Pennsylvania, S. 3867, to designate the Federal courthouse located at 555 Independence Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, as the "Rush H. Limbaugh, Sr., Federal Courthouse", H.R. 5187, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize additional appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts for fiscal year 2007, proposed Convention on Supplementary Compensation for Nuclear Damage Contingent Cost Allocation Act, an original bill, to amend the Clean Air Act to encourage the most polluted areas in the United States to attain clean air standards, S. 2348, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to require a licensee to notify the Atomic Energy Commission, and the State and county in which a facility is located, whenever there is an unplanned release of fission products in excess of allowable limits, S. 3591, to improve efficiency in the Federal Government through the use of high-performance green buildings, and the nominations of William B. Wark, of Maine, and William E. Wright, of Florida, each to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, and Stephen M. Prescott, of Oklahoma, and Anne Jeannette Udall, of North Carolina, each to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation, and other committee matters; to be followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Roger Romulus Martella, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator, and Alex A. Beehler, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, and William H. Graves, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

September 14, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety, to hold an oversight hearing on the NRC's authority and responsibility in complying with currently proposed nuclear waste legislation and appropriations, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: September 11, Subcommittee on International Trade, to hold hearings to examine NAFTA at year twelve, 2 p.m., SD-215.

September 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine law enforcement challenges relating to breaking the methamphetamine supply chain, 10 a.m., SD-215.

September 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine charitable care and community benefits at non-profit hospitals, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: September 12, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of James R. Kunder,

of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 11 a.m., SD-419.

September 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine securing a permanent cease-fire relating to Lebanon, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: September 14, to hold hearings to examine the value of a skills based point system relating to employment-based permanent immigration, 10:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: September 12, to hold hearings to examine the next five years relating to homeland security, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

September 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Wayne Cartwright Beyer, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, and Stephen Thomas Conboy, of Virginia, to be United States Marshal for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

September 14, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to resume hearings to examine Federal agencies spending on conference meetings and travel, focusing on how they monitor and track conference participation and spending and control these activities, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: September 14, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Carl Joseph Artman, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; to be immediately followed by a business meeting to consider the nomination of Carl Joseph Artman, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 12, to hold hearings to examine the Thompson Memorandum's effect on the right to counsel in corporate investigations, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

September 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine judicial nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

September 13, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

September 13, Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, to hold hearings to examine challenges facing today's federal prosecutors, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: September 13, to receive a closed briefing regarding intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

September 14, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing regarding intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: September 13, to hold hearings to examine managed care relating to securing Medicaid's future, 10 a.m., SD-562.

September 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine a generation at risk relating to senior suicide, 10 a.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, September 13, hearing to Review Federal Farm Policy, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

September 14, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to Review Federal Farm Policy, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, September 12, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, hearing on Afghanistan Interdiction/Eradication of Illegal Narcotics and U.S. Lead Rebuilding Programs, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, oversight hearing on Nuclear Energy, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Science, The Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies, hearing on FBI Transformation, 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget September 13, hearing on How Budgetary Choices Affect Work, Saving, and Growth, The Real Purpose of 'Dynamic' Estimating, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, September 12, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Continuing Ethics and Management Concerns at NIH and the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing on nuclear waste storage and disposal policy, and hydroelectric license extension and energy efficiency legislation, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "CyberSecurity: Protecting America's Critical Infrastructure, Economy, and Consumers," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

September 15, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Contact Lens Sales: Is Market Regulation the Prescription?" 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, September 12, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology, hearing entitled "The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the Importance of Agricultural Development in Sustainable Global Poverty Reduction," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Stabilizing Insurance Markets for Coastal Consumers," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "A Review of Regulatory Proposals on Basel Capital and Commercial Real Estate," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, September 11, 13 and 15, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearings entitled "Iraq: Democracy or Civil War?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Energy and Resources, hearing entitled "Interior Department: A Culture of Managerial Irresponsibility and Lack of Accountability?" 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization, to consider H.R. 4859, Federal

Family Health Information Technology Act of 2006, 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance, and Accountability, hearing entitled "DHS Financial Management: Evaluating Progress in Improving Internal Controls," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

September 14, full Committee, hearing entitled "Part Two, Interior Department: A Culture of Managerial Irresponsibility and Lack of Accountability?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, September 13, Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection and Cybersecurity, hearing entitled "The Future of Cyber and Telecommunications Security at the Department of Homeland Security," 3 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing, and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled "The Homeland Security Information Network: An Update on DHS Information Sharing Efforts," 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight and the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Science and Technology, joint hearing entitled "Helping Business Protect the Homeland: Is the Department of Homeland Security Effectively Implementing the SAFETY Act?" 10 a.m., room to be announced.

September 14, full Committee, executive, briefing on the recent plot to detonate liquid explosives carried on airliners traveling from the United Kingdom to the United States, 10 a.m., H2-176 Ford.

September 14, Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack, hearing entitled "The Science of Prevention," 2 p.m., room to be announced.

Committee on International Relations, September 14, oversight hearing on Japan's Relations with Its Neighbors: Back to the Future? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, oversight hearing entitled "Is There a Clash of Civilizations? Islam, Democracy, and U.S.-Middle East and Central Asia Policy," 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, September 12, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 5825, Electronic Surveillance Modernization Act, 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on The Americans with Disabilities Act: Sixteen Years Later, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 5388, District of Columbia Fair and Equal House Voting Rights Act of 2006, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 5120, to amend title 35, United States Code, to conform certain filing provisions within the Patent and Trademark Office, 11:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, September 13, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 5617, 13th Regional Corporation Land Entitlement Act; and H.R. 5781, Copper Valley Native Allotment Resolution Act of 2006, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

September 13, Subcommittee on National Parks, oversight hearing entitled "Visitation Trends in the National Park System—Part II," 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

September 14, Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4953 (S. 2430), Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 2006; and H.R. 4345 (S. 2041), Ed Fountain Park Expansion Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

September 14, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 5690, Ouachita National Forest Boundary Adjustment Act of 2006; H.R. 5756, Colorado Emergency Wildfire and Insect Infestations Response Act of 2006; H.R. 5769, Washington County Growth and Conservation Act of 2006; and S. 447, Jornada Experimental Range Transfer Act of 2005, 1 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, September 12, to consider H.R. 2965, Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act of 2006, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, September 13, hearing on How Can Technologies Help Secure Our Borders? 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, September 13, oversight hearing on Low Pressure Liquid Pipelines: In the North Slope, Greater Prudhoe Bay, Alaska, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on the Great Lakes Regional Collaboration Strategy—Can it be implemented to restore and protect the Great Lakes? 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing on the Review of Coast Guard Mission Performance, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, to mark up GSA's Fiscal year 2007 Capital Investment and Leasing Program, and other pending business, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, September 13, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, oversight hearing on the training provided to Veterans Benefits Administration claims adjudicators and the standards used to measure their proficiency and performance, 2:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, September 13, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, hearing on the National Strategy for Combating Terrorism and the Evolving Terrorist Threat, 3 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

September 14, full Committee, executive, briefing on Global Updates/Hot Spots, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

September 14, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, hearing on DOD HUMINT Way Ahead, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: September 13, to hold hearings to examine Romanian governmental and non-governmental perspectives on the current state of care of persons with disabilities in Romania, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Conference: September 12, meeting of conferees on H.R. 5122, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, 4:30 p.m., SH-216.