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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:50 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 17, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9292.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 3045–3055; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 548–551 were introduced. Pages H7851–53

Additional Cosponsors: Page H7852

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:
H.R. 2547, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to prevent misrepresentation about deposit insurance coverage (H. Rept. 110–234) and

H. Res. 547, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3043) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008 (H. Rept. 110–235). Page H7851

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hirono to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. Page H7785

Recess: The House recessed at 12:44 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H7787

Inspector General of the House of Representatives—Appointment: The Chair announced the joint appointment by the Speaker, the Majority Leader, and the Minority Leader of Mr. James J. Cornell of Springfield, VA, to the position of Inspector General of the House of Representatives for the 110th Congress, effective January 4, 2007. Page H7788

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

FDIC Enforcement Enhancement Act: H.R. 2547, amended, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to prevent misrepresentation about deposit insurance coverage; Pages H7788–89

Agreed by unanimous consent that the House vacate the ordering of the yeas and nays on adoption of H.R. 2547 to the end that the Chair put the question de novo. Page H7789

Housing Assistance Council Authorization Act of 2007: H.R. 1980, to authorize appropriations for the Housing Assistance Council, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 350 yeas to 49 nays, Roll No. 630; Pages H7789–93, H7819

Rural Housing and Economic Development Improvement Act of 2007: H.R. 1982, amended, to authorize appropriations for the rural housing and economic development program of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 350 yeas to 49 nays, Roll No. 631; Pages H7793–95, H7819–20

Recognizing and honoring the Cathedral Square Corporation on its 30th anniversary: H. Res. 408, to recognize and honor the Cathedral Square Corporation on its 30th anniversary; Pages H7795–96

Supporting the goals and ideals of a world day of remembrance for road crash victims: H. Con. Res. 87, to support the goals and ideals of a world day of remembrance for road crash victims; Pages H7796–97

Dr. Karl E. Carson Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 2570, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 Boardwalk Drive in Fort Collins, Colorado, as the “Dr. Karl E. Carson Post Office Building”; Pages H7797–98

Requiring the Secretary of State to submit to Congress a report on efforts to bring to justice the Palestinian terrorists who killed John Branchizio, Mark Parson, and John Marin Linde: H.R. 2293,

to require the Secretary of State to submit to Congress a report on efforts to bring to justice the Palestinian terrorists who killed John Branchizio, Mark Parson, and John Marin Linde; **Pages H7798–H7800**

Honoring Operation Smile in the 25th anniversary year of its founding: H. Res. 208, amended, to honor Operation Smile in the 25th anniversary year of its founding; **Pages H7800–02**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Recognizing the 25th anniversary of the founding of Operation Smile.”. **Page H7802**

Commending the Kingdom of Lesotho, on the occasion of International Women’s Day, for the enactment of a law to improve the status of married women and ensure the access of married women to property rights: H. Res. 294, amended, to commend the Kingdom of Lesotho, on the occasion of International Women’s Day, for the enactment of a law to improve the status of married women and ensure the access of married women to property rights; **Pages H7802–04**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Commending the Kingdom of Lesotho for the enactment of a law to improve the status of married women and ensure the access of married women to property rights.”. **Page H7804**

Honoring World Red Cross Red Crescent Day: H. Res. 378, amended, to honor World Red Cross Red Crescent Day; **Pages H7804–05**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Commending the humanitarian efforts of Red Cross, Red Crescent, and Magen David Adom National Societies worldwide on the occasion of World Red Cross Red Crescent Day.”. **Page H7805**

Department of State Crisis Response Act of 2007: S. 966, amended, to enable the Department of State to respond to a critical shortage of passport processing personnel; **Pages H7805–07**

Recognizing the contribution of modeling and simulation technology to the security and prosperity of the United States, and recognizing modeling and simulation as a National Critical Technology: H. Res. 487, to recognize the contribution of modeling and simulation technology to the security and prosperity of the United States, and to recognize modeling and simulation as a National Critical Technology; **Pages H7807–11**

Redesignating Lock and Dam No. 5 of the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System near Redfield, Arkansas, authorized by the Rivers and Harbors Act approved July 24, 1946, as the “Colonel Charles D. Maynard Lock and Dam”: H.R. 781, to redesignate Lock and Dam No. 5 of the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation Sys-

tem near Redfield, Arkansas, authorized by the Rivers and Harbors Act approved July 24, 1946, as the “Colonel Charles D. Maynard Lock and Dam”; **Pages H7811–12**

Honoring United Parcel Service and its 100 years of commitment and leadership in the United States: H. Res. 375, amended, to honor United Parcel Service and its 100 years of commitment and leadership in the United States; and **Pages H7812–14**

Appalachian Regional Development Act Amendments of 2007: H.R. 799, amended, to reauthorize and improve the program authorized by the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 332 yeas to 70 nays, Roll No. 632. **Pages H7814–18, H7820–21**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:50 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H7818**

Public Interest Declassification Board—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative Boehner, Minority Leader, in which he re-appointed the Honorable David Skaggs to the Public Interest Declassification Board for a term to expire on June 5, 2009. **Page H7821**

National Council on the Arts—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative Boehner, Minority Leader, in which he appointed Representative Tiberi to the National Council on the Arts. **Page H7821**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H7788.

Senate Referrals: S. 975 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Pages H7849–50**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H7853.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7819, H7819–20 and H7820–21. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:59 p.m.

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2008

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, an open rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3043) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes. The rule provides for 1 hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

This rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority recognition to Members who have printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule permits the Chair to postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Chairman Obey and Representative Walsh.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine improving air services to small and rural communities, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert Boldrey, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation, Kristine L. Svinicki, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and R. Lyle Laverly, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, "The Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act", 7 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the efficacy of democratic developments in Sub-Saharan Africa, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Finland for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and on Capital, signed at Helsinki May 31, 2006 (the "Protocol") (Treaty Doc. 109-18), protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income signed at Copenhagen

May 2, 2006 (the "Protocol") (Treaty Doc. 109-19), protocol Amending the Convention Between the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital and to Certain Other Taxes, Signed on August 29, 1989, signed at Berlin June 1, 2006 (the "Protocol"), along with a related Joint Declaration (Treaty Doc. 109-20), Convention Between the United States and Belgium for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with the Respect to Taxes on Income and Accompanying Protocol (Treaty Doc. 110-3), patent Law Treaty and Regulations Under the Patent Law Treaty (the "Treaty"), done at Geneva on June 1, 2000, between the Governments of 53 countries including the United States of America (Treaty Doc. 109-12), and the Geneva Act of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs (the "Agreement"), adopted in Geneva on July 2, 1999, and signed by the United States on July 6, 1999 (Treaty Doc. 109-21), and the Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (Treaty Doc. 110-2), protocol to the 1951 Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation between the United States and Denmark (Treaty Doc. 108-8), 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Retirement and Aging, to hold hearings to examine the federal response to the Alzheimer's epidemic, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine federal acquisition, focusing on ways to strengthen competition and accountability, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to continue hearings to examine the readiness of the Census Bureau for the 2010 census, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the prosecution of Ignacio Ramos and Jose Compean, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: business meeting to mark up the nomination of Charles L. Hopkins, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Operations, Preparedness, Security and Law Enforcement), Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense collaboration and cooperation and the education needs for the returning service members, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to consider H.R. 2419, Farm Bill Extension Act of 2007, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Budgeting to Fight Waste, Fraud, and Abuse, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Diminished Capacity: Can the FDA Assure the Safety and Security of the Nation's Food Supply?—Part 2," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.