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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H15252.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H15273–74, H15274 and H15274–75. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:42 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AFGHANISTAN: STATUS OF U.S. STRATEGY

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Security and Stability in Afghanistan: Status of U.S. Strategy and Operations and the Way Ahead. Testimony was heard from the 4 following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert M. Gates, Secretary; Adm Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Ambassador Eric S. Edelman, Under Secretary, Policy; and LTG John F. Sattler, USMC, Director, Strategic Plans and Policy, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

REVIEW CENSUS BUREAU'S RISK MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES FOR IT ACQUISITIONS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives held a hearing on A Review of the Census Bureau's Risk Management Activities for IT Acquisitions. Testimony was heard from Charles Louis Kincannon, Director, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce; the following officials of the GAO: David Powner, Director, Information Technology Management Issues; and Matthew Scire, Director, Strategic Issues; and public witnesses.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008—CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2082, the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, and against its consideration. Testimony was heard from Chairman Reyes.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008—CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 1585, the Na-

tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, and against its consideration. The rule also provides that the conferees on H.R. 3093 are hereby discharged and that the conference and its accompanying papers are hereby tabled. Testimony was heard from Chairman Skelton and Representative Saxton.

AMT RELIEF ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4351, the AMT Relief Act of 2007, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit the bill. Finally, the rule permits the Chair, during consideration of the bill, to postpone further consideration of it to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Chairman Rangel and Representative Neal of Massachusetts.

TERRORISM RISK INSURANCE PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate in the House on H.R. 4299, the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2007, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Finally, the rule provides that during consideration of H.R. 4299, the Chair may postpone further consideration to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Chairman Frank.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a closed briefing on North Korea, focusing on the six-party talks, 11 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider S. 579, to amend the Public