

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 6025–6046; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 348; and H. Res. 1187–1188, 1191–1193 were introduced. **Pages H3776–77**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3777–78**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2419, a bill to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012 (H. Rept. 110–627);

H.R. 5834, to amend the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004 to promote respect for the fundamental human rights of the people of North Korea, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–628);

H. Res. 1189, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2419) to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012 (H. Rept. 110–629);

H. Res. 1190, providing for the adoption of the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 70) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 and 2010 through 2013 (H. Rept. 110–630);

H.R. 3323, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey a water distribution system to the Goleta Water District, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–631);

H.R. 3930, to provide for a land exchange involving State land and Bureau of Land Management land in Chavez and Dona Ana Counties, New Mexico, and to establish the Lesser Prairie Chicken National Habitat Preservation Area, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–632);

H.R. 4074, to authorize the implementation of the San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement (H. Rept. 110–633);

H.R. 2649, to make amendments to the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–634); and

H.R. 1771, to assist in the conservation of cranes by supporting and providing, through projects of persons and organizations with expertise in crane conservation, financial resources for the conservation programs of countries the activities of which directly or indirectly affect cranes and the ecosystem of cranes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–635).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Larsen (WA) to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H3409**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:32 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H3409**

Food and Energy Security Act of 2007—Motions to Instruct Conferees: Subsequent to the filing of the conference report on H.R. 2419, the chair announced the motions to instruct conferees offered by Representative Upton and Representative Shimkus which were debated on Thursday, May 8th had been vitiated. **Pages H3409–H3700**

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

Suspending the acquisition of petroleum for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve: H.R. 6022, to suspend the acquisition of petroleum for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 385 yeas to 25 nays, Roll No. 307; **Pages H3701–10, H3751–52**

Credit and Debit Card Receipt Clarification Act of 2007: H.R. 4008, to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to make technical corrections to the definition of willful noncompliance with respect to violations involving the printing of an expiration date on certain credit and debit card receipts before the date of the enactment of this Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 407 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 308; and **Pages H3729–32, H3752**

Expressing condolences and sympathy to the people of Burma for the grave loss of life and vast destruction caused by Cyclone Nargis: H. Res. 1181, to express condolences and sympathy to the people of Burma for the grave loss of life and vast destruction caused by Cyclone Nargis, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 410 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 306.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Supporting the goals and ideals of Mental Health Month: H. Res. 1134, to support the goals and ideals of Mental Health Month; **Pages H3710–12**

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Train Day: H. Res. 1176, to support the goals and ideals of National Train Day; **Pages H3712–14**

Congratulating Winona State University on winning the 2008 Division II men's basketball championships: H. Res. 1133, amended, to congratulate Winona State University on winning the 2008 Division II men's basketball championships;

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Recognizing AmeriCorps Week: H. Res. 1173, to recognize AmeriCorps Week; **Pages H3715–17**

Honoring public child welfare agencies, nonprofit organizations and private entities providing services for foster children: H. Res. 789, amended, to honor public child welfare agencies, nonprofit organizations and private entities providing services for foster children; **Pages H3717–19**

Saint-Gaudens Double Eagle Ultra-High Relief Bullion Coin Act: H.R. 5614, amended, to authorize the production of Saint-Gaudens Double Eagle ultra-high relief bullion coins in palladium to provide affordable opportunities for investments in precious metals; **Pages H3719–22**

Star-Spangled Banner and War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 2894, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the writing of the “Star Spangled Banner” and the War of 1812; **Pages H3722–24**

Boy Scouts of America Centennial Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 5872, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Boy Scouts of America; **Pages H3724–26**

Alice Paul Congressional Gold Medal Act: H.R. 406, amended, to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Alice Paul in recognition of her role in the women’s suffrage movement and in advancing equal rights for women; **Pages H3726–29**

Security Assistance and Arms Export Control Reform Act of 2008: H.R. 5916, amended, to reform the administration of the Arms Export Control Act; and **Pages H3735–47**

North Korean Human Rights Reauthorization Act of 2008: H.R. 5834, amended, to amend the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004 to promote respect for the fundamental human rights of the people of North Korea. **Pages H3747–50**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:25 p.m. and reconvened at 6:35 p.m. **Page H3750**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the victims of Cyclone Nargis. **Page H3751**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of those affected by the earthquake that struck the Sichuan Province of China. **Page H3752**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress the text of a proposed Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Gov-

ernment of the Russian Federation for Cooperation in the Field of Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–112). **Page H3701**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3750–51, H3751–52, H3752. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:51 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 5464, A Child is Missing Alert and Recovery Center Act; H.R. 2352, School Safety Enhancements Act of 2007; H.R. 3480, Let Our Veterans Rest in Peace Act of 2007; H.R. 5938, Former Vice President Protection Act of 2008; H.R. 5057, Debbie Smith Reauthorization Act of 2008; H.R. 1783, Elder Justice Act; and H.R. 5352, Elder Abuse Victims Act of 2008.

CONFERENCE REPORT—FARM, NUTRITION, AND BIOENERGY ACT OF 2008

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 7 to 4, a rule providing one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Agriculture. The rule waives all points of order against the conference report on H.R. 2419, the Farm, Nutrition, and Bioenergy Act of 2007 and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Peterson and Representative Neugebauer.

PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE CONCURRENT BUDGET RESOLUTION FOR 2009

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 7 to 4, a rule providing for the adoption in the House of S. Con. Res. 70, the Concurrent Budget Resolution for 2009. The rule takes from the Speaker’s table S. Con. Res. 70, adopts an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H. Con. Res. 312 as adopted by the House, adopts S. Con. Res. 70 as amended, and provides that the House insists on its amendment and requests a conference with the Senate.