

Army Infantry and the establishment of the National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center; and

Pages H5167–70

Mother's Day Centennial Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 2268, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Mother's Day.

Pages H5170–72

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

Expressing support for the designation of National D-Day Remembrance Day, and recognizing the spirit, courage, and sacrifice of the men and women who fought and won World War II: H. Res. 1235, to express support for the designation of National D-Day Remembrance Day, and to recognize the spirit, courage, and sacrifice of the men and women who fought and won World War II.

Pages H5154–57

Order of Procedure: Agreed by unanimous consent that if the gentleman from Ohio, Representative Kucinich, offers a resolution as a question of the privileges of the House at any time on the legislative day of June 10, 2008 (1) the previous question shall be considered as ordered thereon without intervening motion except one motion to refer; and (2) the Speaker may postpone further proceedings on such a vote on a motion to refer as though under clause 8(a)(1)(A) of rule 20.

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Chief Administrative Officer Designations: Read a letter from Daniel P. Beard, Chief Administrative Officer, wherein he designated Ali Qureshi, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Operations and Walter Edwards, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Customer Solutions to act in his stead in the event of his death, resignation, separation from office or disability until a Chief Administrative Officer is appointed.

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Question of Privilege: Representative Kucinich rose to a question of the privileges of the House and offered a resolution, and the Chair directed the Clerk to report the resolution. Further proceedings were postponed.

Pages H5192–H5211

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5141, H5142, H5142–43, H5172–73, H5173, H5174. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:12 a.m.

Committee Meetings

PHTHALATES AND BISPHENOL-A CONSUMER SAFETY

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled "Safety of Phthalates and Bisphenol-A in Everyday Consumer Products." Testimony was heard from Michael A. Babich, Chemist, Consumer Product Safety Commission; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: John R. Bucher, Associate Director, National Toxicology Programs, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, NIH; and Norris Alderson, Associate Commissioner, Science, FDA; L. Earl Gray, Research Biologist, EPA; and public witnesses.

DIGITAL TV TRANSITION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Status of the DTV Transition: 252 Days and Counting." Testimony was heard from Kevin J. Martin, Chairman, FCC; Bernadette McGuire-Rivera, Associate Administrator, Office of Telecommunications and Information Applications, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce; Mark L. Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

INSURANCE INFORMATION ACT OF 2008

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on H.R. 5840, Insurance Information Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from Jeremiah O. Norton, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury; Brian P. Kennedy, member, House of Representatives, State of Rhode Island; Michael T. McRaith, Director, Division of Insurance, Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, State of Illinois; and public witnesses.

DIPLOMATIC ASSURANCE AND RENDITION TO TORTURE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight held a hearing on Diplomatic Assurances and Rendition to Torture: The Perspective of the State Department's Legal Adviser. Testimony was heard from John B. Bellinger III, Legal Adviser, Department of State.

FAIRNESS IN NURSING HOME ARBITRATION ACT OF 2008

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 6126, Fairness in Nursing Home Arbitration

Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM; COMBATING GANGS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security approved for full Committee action H.R. 3546, To authorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program at fiscal year 2006 levels through 2012.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Addressing Gangs: What's Effective? What's Not? Testimony was heard from Kevin O'Connor, Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; Frank Straub, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety, White Plains, New York; John Buckovich, Police Department, Richmond, Virginia; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC EMPLOYMENT VERIFICATION SYSTEMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law held a hearing on Electronic Employment Verification Systems: Impact on U.S. Workers. Testimony was heard from Representatives Calvert, Shuler, Sam Johnson of Texas; and Giffords; Jonathan Scharfen, Acting Director, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—COAL COMBUSTION WASTE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on How Should the Federal Government Address the Health and Environmental Risks of Coal Combustion Waste? Testimony was heard from Shari Wilson, Secretary of the Environment, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL WHALING

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the annual International Whaling Commission meeting to be held in Santiago, Chile from June 23–27. Testimony was heard from William T. Hogarth, U.S. Commissioner, International Whaling Commission; and public witnesses.

U.S.-MICRONESIA FREE ASSOCIATION

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs held an oversight hearing on the Implementation of the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 between the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia. Testimony was heard from Tom Bussanich, Director, Budget

Grants Management Division, Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; Glyn T. Davies, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; David B. Gootnick, Director, International Affairs and Trade, GAO; and Fabian Nimea, Director, Office of Statistics, Budget and Economic Management, Official Development Assistance and Compact Management, Federated States of Micronesia.

FEDERAL HIRING OF EX-OFFENDERS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia held a hearing entitled "An Examination of Federal Employment Practices/Policies on Hiring Ex-offenders." Testimony was heard from Nancy Kichak, Associate Director, OPM; MG Thomas P. Bostick, USA, U.S. Army Recruiting Command; Brent Orrrell, Acting Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

NASA AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2008

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 9–4, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 6063, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2008. The rule provides 1 hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Science and Technology. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of Rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Science and Technology now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except for clause 10 of Rule XXI.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendments except for clauses 9 and 10 of Rule XXI are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by

the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Udall of Colorado, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Yarmuth, Hall of Texas, Rohrabacher and Gingrey.

COMMERCIAL TRUCK HYBRID TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Hybrid Technologies for Medium- to Heavy-Duty Commercial Trucks. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FINANCING INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Held a hearing on Financing Infrastructure Investments. Testimony was heard from Representatives DeLauro, Blumenauer, Ellison and Calvert; and public witnesses.

HEALTHCARE DISPARITIES/REFORM

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Addressing Disparities in Health and Healthcare. Testimony was heard from the following Representatives: Solis; Moran of Kansas, Christensen and Bordallo, and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—CHINA

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on China. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the impact and policy implications of spyware on consumers and businesses, 3 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine sovereign wealth funds, focusing on foreign policy consequences in an era of new money, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine short-change for consumers and short-shrift for Congress, focusing on the Supreme Court's treatment of laws that protect Americans health, safety, jobs, and retirement, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Paul G. Gardephe, and Cathy Seibel, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Kiyo A. Matsumoto, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, and Glenn T. Suddaby, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, 2 p.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to mark up the Homeland Security Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to mark up the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009, 1 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on H.R. 2343, Education Begins at Home Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing on H.R. 6078, GREEN Act of 2008, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight, to mark up Subcommittee Report on The Decline in America's Reputation: Why?; followed by a hearing on the Release and Review of the Subcommittee Report: The Decline in America's Reputation: Why? 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on the New Challenge: China in the Western Hemisphere, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing on the Improving Public Access to Documents Act of 2008, 10 a.m., followed by mark up of the following bills: H.R. 3815, Homeland Security Open Source Information Enhancement Act of 2007; H.R. 4806, Reducing Over-Classification Act of 2007; H.R. 6048, Personnel Reimbursement for Intelligence Cooperation and Enhance of Homeland Security Act, and H.R. 6193, Improving Public Access to Documents Act, 11 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight, hearing entitled "Ready to Lead? DHS and the Next Major Catastrophe," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4044, National Guard and Reservist Debt Relief Act of 2008; H.R. 2352, School Safety Enhancements Act of 2007; H.R. 1783, Elder Justice Act; H.R. 5352, Elder Abuse Victims Act of 2008; and H.R. 5057, Debbie Smith Reauthorization Act of 2008, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 4789, Performance Rights Act, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, to mark-up the following bills: H.R. 3981, Preserve America and Save America's Treasures Act; H.R. 5451, Coastal Zone Reauthorization Act of 2008; H.R. 4199, To amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992 to add sites to the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park; H.R. 2964, Captive Primate Safety Act; H.R. 5741, Shark Conservation Act of 2008; H.R. 1423, Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center Lease Act; H.R. 3702, Montana Cemetery Act of 2007; H.R. 5710, Eastern New Mexico Rural Water System Authorization Act; and H.R. 5511, Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Remediation Act of 2008, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.