

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 4714–4734; and 13 resolutions, H.J. Res. 77–78; H. Con. Res. 244–245; and H. Res. 1125, 1127–1134 were introduced. **Pages H1026–27**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1027–29**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1126, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4247) to prevent and reduce the use of physical restraint and seclusion in schools (H. Rept. 111–425). **Page H1026**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:42 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H974**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Chaplain John Beaver, National Chaplain of the American Legion, Mobile, Alabama. **Page H974**

Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of Representative Abercrombie of Hawaii, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 432. **Page H974**

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

Natural Hazards Risk Reduction Act: H.R. 3820, amended, to reauthorize Federal natural hazards reduction programs, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 335 yeas to 50 nays, Roll No. 76; **Pages H975–84, H999–H1000**

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Engineers Week: H. Res. 1097, to support the goals and ideals of National Engineers Week, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 382 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 77; **Pages H984–87, H1000–01**

Recognizing the significant contributions of the Military Working Dog (MWD) Program to the United States Armed Forces: H. Res. 812, amended, to recognize the significant contributions of the Military Working Dog (MWD) Program to the United States Armed Forces; **Pages H991–93**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Recognizing the significant contributions of the Military Working Dog Program to the United States Armed Forces.”. **Page H993**

Recognizing Louisiana State University for 150 years of service and excellence in higher education: H. Res. 1072, amended, to recognize Louisiana State University for 150 years of service and excellence in

higher education, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 383 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 75; and

Pages H993–94, H999

Congratulating the Pennsylvania State University IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON): H. Res. 1112, to congratulate the Pennsylvania State University IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) on its continued success in support of the Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children’s Hospital. **Pages H994–95**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:17 p.m. and reconvened at 6:31 p.m. **Page H999**

Presidential Messages: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of the continuation beyond March 6, 2010 of the national emergency with respect to the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Zimbabwe and other persons to undermine Zimbabwe’s democratic processes or institutions—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–96). **Page H974**

Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress a proposed constitution for the United States Virgin Islands—referred to the Committee on Natural Resources. **Page H975**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H1017–18.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H999, H999–H1000, H1000–01. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on Major Systems Acquisition at DHS. Testimony was heard from Jane Holl Lute, Deputy Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

SELECT INTELLIGENCE OVERSIGHT

Committee on Appropriations: Select Intelligence Oversight Panel met in executive session on the National Intelligence Program Budget. Testimony was heard from Dennis Blair, Director, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

STRENGTHENING FEDERAL CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on Improving Children's Health: Strengthening Federal Child Nutrition Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PREVENTING HARMFUL RESTRAINT AND SECLUSION IN SCHOOLS ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4247, the "Preventing Harmful Restraint and Seclusion in Schools Act." The rule provides one hour of general debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill, as amended. The rule provides that the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule makes in order the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report if offered by Rep. George Miller or his designee, which shall be considered as read, shall be separately debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule also makes in order the amendment printed in part B the report if offered by Rep. Flake or his designee, which shall be considered as read, shall be separately debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides on motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that during consideration of an amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this rule, the Chair may postpone the question of adoption as though under clause 8 of rule XX. The rule provides that measures may be considered under suspension of the rules at any time through Thursday, March 4, 2010. The Speaker or her designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this authority. The rule waives clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rule Committee) against any rule reported from the Rules committee through the legislative day of Thursday, March 4, 2010. Tes-

timony was heard from Chairman Miller of California, Representatives Kline and McMorris Rodgers.

ADOPTING THE RULES COMMITTEE VIEWS AND ESTIMATES ON THE PRESIDENT'S FY 2011 BUDGET

Committee on Rules: The Committee adopted, by a non-record vote, its views and estimates on the President's fiscal year 2011 budget.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D164)

S. 2950, to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks. Signed on March 1, 2010. (Public Law 111-143)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine the Army budget overview for fiscal year 2011, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine the protective forces at the Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on policies, procedures, and practices relating to the transfer of detainees held at the Guantanamo Detention Facility, 4:30 p.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Fisheries Enforcement Programs and Operations, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider any pending nominations; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine transportation investments relative to the national economy and jobs, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the 2010 trade agenda, 10:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine chemical security, focusing