

249 yeas to 157 nays, Roll No. 475, after ordering the previous question. **Pages H7364–69**

Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2007—Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 5631, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, by a yeas and nays vote of 394 yeas to 22 nays, Roll No. 486, after ordering the previous question.

Pages H7425–33, H7467–68

H. Res. 1037, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by voice vote, after ordering the previous question. **Pages H7404–12**

Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of Representatives Kilpatrick of Michigan to the Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy. **Page H7489**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7445.

Senate Referral: S. 3421 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Thirteen yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H7368, H7368–69, H7369–70, H7370, H7371, H7422, H7422–23, H7423–24, H7424, H7465–66, H7466, H7467, and H7467–68. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM POLICY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture held a hearing to review federal farm policy affecting the specialty crop industry. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DOD ALTERNATIVE ENERGY/EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities and the Subcommittee on Readiness held a joint hearing on Alternative Energy and Energy Efficiency Programs of the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: John Young, Director, Defense Research and Engineering; Richard Connelly, Director, Defense Energy Support Center; Mike Aimone, Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, Installations and Mission Support; and Phil Grone, Deputy Under Secretary, Installations and Environment; and public witnesses.

COLLEGES AND INTERNET POLICY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness held a hearing entitled "The Internet and the College Campus: How the Entertainment Industry and Higher Education are Working to Combat Illegal Piracy." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EDITING MOVIE CONTENT FOR FAMILIES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Editing Hollywood's Editors: Cleaning Flicks for Families. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

INTERNET SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Sexual Exploitation of Children Over the Internet: The Face of a Child Predator and Other Issues." Testimony was heard from Andres Hernandez, Director, Bureau of Prisons' Sex Offender Treatment Program, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MEDICAL DEVICE SAFETY

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled "Medical Device Safety: How FDA Regulates the Reprocessing of Supposedly Single-Use Devices." Testimony was heard from Daniel G. Schultz, M.D., Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing entitled "Weapons of Mass Destruction: Reviving Disarmament." Testimony was heard from William H. Tobey, Deputy Administrator, Defense Nuclear Proliferation, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; Andrew K. Semmel, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Security and Nonproliferation, Department of State; Jack David, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction and Negotiations Policy, Department of Defense; Gene Aloise, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; Hans Blix, Chairman, The Weapons of Mass Destruction Commission; and public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESS PAPERWORK AMNESTY ACT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs held a hearing entitled “H.R. 5242, Small Business Paperwork Amnesty Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Vitter; Representative Neugebauer; and public witnesses.

HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENT: INITIATIVES FOR 2007

Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled “The Department of Homeland Security: Major Initiatives for 2007 and Beyond.” Testimony was heard from Michael Chertoff, Secretary of Homeland Security.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Enhancing the Global Fight to End Human Trafficking. Testimony was heard from John Miller, Director, The Office to Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State; Wade F. Horn, Assistant Secretary, Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

The Committee also held a briefing on this subject. The Committee was briefed by Ricky Martin, Goodwill Ambassador and President, The Ricky Martin Foundation.

LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 6101, Legal Services Corporation Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Legal Services Corporation: Frank Strickland, Chairman of the Board; and Richard West, Inspector General; and David Williams, Inspector General, U.S. Postal Service.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 5110, More Water and More Energy Act of 2006; H.R. 5786, South Orange County Recycled Water Enhancement Act; and H.R. 5987, to provide for a feasibility study of alternatives to augment the water supplies of the Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and cities served by the District. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: William E. Rinne, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and Robert M. Hirsch, Associate Director, Water, U.S. Geological Survey; and public witnesses.

MILITARY COMMISSIONS ACT OF 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing two hours of debate in the House on H.R. 6166, to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize trial by military commission for violations of the law of war, and for other purposes, with 80 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services, and 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Hunter, Representatives Lungren, Skelton, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Markey, Harman, Wu and Lynch.

AERONAUTICS DECADAL PLAN/NASA BLUEPRINT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics continued hearings on The National Academy of Sciences’ Decadal Plan for Aeronautics: A Blueprint for NASA? Testimony was heard from Lisa Porter, Associate Administrator, Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate, NASA; and William W. Hoover, co-chair, National Research Council’s Steering Committee that produced the Decadal Survey of Civil Aeronautics.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE ICEBREAKER REPORT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held an oversight hearing on the National Academy of Science Icebreaker Report. Testimony was heard from RADM Joseph L. Nimmich, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Policy and Planning, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Arden L. Bement, Jr., Director, NSF; Anita K. Jones, Chair, Polar Research Board, Assessment of USCG polar icebreaker roles and futures needs, The National Academies; and Mead Treadwell, Chairman, U.S. Arctic Research Commission.

MEMBER PROPOSALS ON TAX ISSUES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Member Proposals on Tax Issues Introduced in the 109th Congress. Testimony was heard from Representatives Shaw, Cardin, Lewis of Kentucky; Jones of Ohio, Hart, Nunes, Christensen, Fossella, Wilson of New

Mexico, Gary G. Miller of California, Franks of Arizona, Chabot, Udall of New Mexico, Murphy, Turner, Fortenberry, McHugh, Blumenauer, King of Iowa and Conaway.

DNI'S INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION ARCHITECTURE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on the DNI's Intelligence Collection Architecture. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine United States policy and practice with respect to the use of riot control agents by the U.S. Armed Forces, followed by a closed session in SR-222, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christopher A. Padilla, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Bijan Rafiekian, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 3599, to establish the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument in the State of New Mexico, S. 3794, to provide for the implementation of the Owyhee Initiative Agreement, S. 3854, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, H.R. 3603, to promote the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System lands and other public lands in central Idaho, to designate the Boulder-White Cloud Management Area to ensure the continued management of certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands for recreational and grazing use and conservation and resource protection, to add certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands in central Idaho to the National Wilderness Preservation System, and H.R. 5025, to protect for future generations the recreational opportunities, forests, timber, clean water, wilderness and scenic values, and diverse habitat of Mount Hood National Forest, Oregon, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Frank Baxter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, and Charles L. Glazer, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Bioterrorism and Public Health Preparedness, to hold hearings to examine measures to improve emergency medical care, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine new technologies to improve care for people with diabetes and reduce the burden on the health care system, focusing on the development of an artificial pancreas, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship, to hold an oversight hearing to examine United States refugee admissions and policy, 3 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: business meeting to consider the nomination of Robert T. Howard, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Information and Technology, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing regarding intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel and the Subcommittee Economic Opportunity of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, joint hearing on the Montgomery G.I. Bill for Members of the Selected Reserve, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on the Irregular Warfare Roadmap, 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Education Reform, hearing on "Perspectives on Early Childhood Home Visitation Programs, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 5782, Pipeline Safety and Improvement Act of 2006; and H.R. 5472, National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program Reauthorization Act of 2006, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings entitled "Sexual Exploitation of Children Over the Internet: Follow-up Issues to the Masha Allen Adoption," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing entitled "Protecting Americans from Catastrophic Terrorism Risk," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Energy and Resources, hearing entitled "Rebalancing the Carbon Cycle," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance and Accountability, hearing entitled "Banks in Real Estate: A Review of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency's December 2005 Rulings," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, hearing on the IT Assessment: A Ten Year Vision for Information Technology in the House, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.