

## INTERNATIONAL NATURAL RUBBER AGREEMENT/LAW OF THE SEA CONVENTION

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the following treaties:

The International Natural Rubber Agreement (Treaty Doc. 104-27), after receiving testimony from Senator Glenn; Jeffrey M. Lang, Deputy United States Trade Representative; and Thomas E. Cole, Rubber Manufacturers Association, Washington, D.C.; and

The Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, with annexes (Treaty Doc. 104-24), after receiving testimony from David A. Colson, Acting Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of John F. Hicks, Sr., of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the State of Eritrea, Alan R. McKee, of Maryland, to be Amba-

sador to the Kingdom of Swaziland, Tibor P. Nagy, Jr., of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, and Arlene Render, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## WHITE HOUSE INFORMATION ACCESS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee held hearings to examine the dissemination of Federal Bureau of Investigation background investigation reports and other information to the White House, receiving testimony from Richard S. Miller, Assistant Director for Protective Operations, United States Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; Howard M. Shapiro, General Counsel, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Billy Ray Dale, former Director of the White House Travel Office; Anita McBride, former Director, and Mary Kate Downham Carroll, former Personnel Assistant, both of the White House Personnel Office; Graven W. Craig, former Intern, White House Office of Public Liaison; and Ellen J. Gober, former Staff Assistant, White House Office of Legislative Affairs.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 17 public bills, H.R. 3684-3700; 1 private bill, H.R. 3701; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 191, and H. Res. 457-458 were introduced.

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Chambliss to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Committees to Sit:** The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, National Security, Resources, Science, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Veterans' Affairs.

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**Order of Business:** It was made in order that during further consideration of H.R. 3662, notwithstanding the order of the House of Wednesday, June 19 that Representative Stupak be allowed to offer an amendment regarding the Pictured Rocks National

Park to be debatable for 10 minutes, equally divided.

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**Interior Appropriations:** By a yea-and-nay vote of 242 yeas to 174 nays, Roll No. 268, the House passed H.R. 3662, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

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By a yea-and-nay vote of 176 yeas to 241 nays, Roll No. 267, rejected the Yates motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations.

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On demand for a separate vote, rejected the Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that sought to reduce Forest Service reconstruction and construction funding by \$42 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 211 yeas to 211 noes, Roll No. 266). This amendment was agreed to in the Committee of the Whole by a recorded vote of 211 yeas to 210 noes, Roll No. 258 on June 19.

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Agreed To:

The Sanders amendment that increases funding for weatherization assistance grants by \$11.6 million

and decreases Naval Petroleum and Oil Shale Reserves funding accordingly (agreed to by a recorded vote of 215 ayes to 206 noes, Roll No. 260).

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The Stupak amendment that prohibits any funding in connection with a scenic shoreline drive in Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore; Page H6674

The Olver amendment that increase funding for energy conservation by \$4 million for codes and standards programs. Page H6674

The Istook amendment that requires binding agreements between Indian tribes, States, and local governments regarding taxes before any new Federal lands are transferred into tribal trust (agreed to by a recorded vote of 212 ayes to 206 noes, Roll No. 263); Pages H6664–67, H6676

Rejected:

The Parker amendment that sought to increase funding for weatherization assistance grants and State energy conservation grants by \$18.4 million and reduces energy conservation programs accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 204 ayes to 218 noes, Roll No. 259); Pages H6649–50, H6652–53

The Shadegg amendment that sought to reduce the National Endowment for the Humanities funding by \$12 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 168 ayes to 254 noes, Roll No. 261);

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The Furse amendment that sought to prohibit funding to prepare, advertise, offer, or award any contract under any provision of the emergency salvage timber sale program (rejected by a recorded vote of 209 ayes to 211 noes, Roll No. 262);

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The Gutknecht amendment that sought to reduce overall funding by 1.9 percent (rejected by a recorded vote of 128 ayes to 291 noes, Roll No. 264);

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The Sanders amendment that sought to increase Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding by \$10 million, reduce fossil energy research and development funding by \$25 million, and apply \$15 million to deficit reduction (rejected by a recorded vote of 186 ayes to 237 noes, Roll No. 265);

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Withdrawn:

The Hoekstra amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn that sought to decrease National Endowment for the Arts Grants and Administration funding by \$31,500. Page H6637

The DeFazio amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn that sought to strike provisions that prevent the Forest Service from implementing final regulations banning the export of all State and Federal timber in the western United States.

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Point of order was sustained against the Faleomavaega amendment that sought to restrict funding for the telescope on Mt. Graham in the Coronado National Forest. Page H6649

**Legislative Program:** The Majority Whip announced the legislative program for the week of June 24. Agreed to adjourn from Thursday to Monday.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, June 24; and agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 25 for morning hour debates.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of June 26. Page H6682

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6691–92.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today. There were no quorum calls.

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**Adjournment:** Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Began markup of the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations for fiscal year 1997.

Will continue June 25.

### DAVIS-BACON/GAO REPORT

*Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities:* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing on the Davis-Bacon/GAO Report, focusing on Allegations of Fraud and Barriers to Employment. Testimony was heard from Carlotta C. Joyner, Director, Education and Employment Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3586, amended, Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1996; H.R. 885, to designate the United States Post Office building located at 153 East 110th Street, New York, NY, as the "Oscar Garcia Rivera Post Office Building"; H.R. 3139, to redesignate the United States Post Office building located at 245