

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 41 public bills, H.R. 922–962; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 36–38 and H. Res. 81–83, were introduced. **Pages H765–67**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ewing to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H727**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Rev. Douglas Tanner of Washington, D.C. **Page H727**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Miller of California motion to adjourn. **Page H727**

Suspensions: The House voted to suspend the rules and agree to the following resolutions:

Guatemalan Peace Process: H. Con. Res. 17, congratulating the people of Guatemala on the success of the recent negotiations to establish a peace process for Guatemala (agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 416 yeas with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 29); **Pages H730–32, H737–38**

Nicaraguan Democratic Elections: H. Con. Res. 18, congratulating the people of the Republic of Nicaragua on the success of their democratic elections held on October 20, 1996 (agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 417 yeas with 3 voting "present", Roll No. 30); **Pages H732–35, H738**

Secretary Warren Christopher: S. Con. Res. 4, commending and thanking the Honorable Warren Christopher for his exemplary service as Secretary of State; and **Pages H735–36**

Display of the Ten Commandments: H. Con. Res. 31, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the display of the Ten Commandments by Judge Roy S. Moore, a judge on the circuit court of the State of Alabama (agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 295 yeas to 125 nays, Roll No. 31; the concurrent resolution was debated on Tuesday, March 4, 1997). **Pages H738–39**

Presidential Message—National Emergency Re Iran: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–51). **Page H737**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:17 p.m. and reconvened at 1:02 p.m. **Page H737**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 82, electing Representatives English of Pennsylvania, Nethercutt, Coburn, and Sessions to the Committee on Science. **Page H739**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H737–38, H738, and H738–39. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 11:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Farm Credit Administration and on Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services. Testimony was heard from Marsha Martin, Chairman and CEO, Farm Credit Administration; and Mary Ann Keeffe, Acting Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services, USDA.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on Secretary of State and on the FBI. Testimony was heard from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State; and Louie Freeh, Director, FBI, Department of Justice.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on Bureau of Reclamation. Testimony was heard from Eluid L. Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings, with emphasis on Energy Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a