

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 14 public bills, H.R. 2589–2602; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 163–165, were introduced. Pages H8299–H8300

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows: Report on the Revised Subdivision of Budget totals for Fiscal Year 1998 (H. Rept. 105–287);

H. Res. 257, to preserve the sovereignty of the United States over public lands and acquired lands owned by the United States, and to preserve State sovereignty and private property rights in non-Federal lands surrounding those public lands and acquired lands (H. Rept. 105–288);

H.R. 2464, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to exempt internationally adopted children under age 10 from the immunization requirement, amended (H. Rept. 105–289); and

H.R. 1270, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, amended (H. Rept. 105–290 Part 1). Page H8299

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Quinn to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H8267

**Motion to Instruct Conferees:** By a ye and nay vote of 412 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 480, agreed to the Doggett motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, to reject section 1601 of the Senate amendment, which provides for payment of all private claims against the Iraqi Government before those of U.S. veterans and the U.S. government (i.e., U.S. taxpayers). Pages H8271–78

**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Condit motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 112 yeas to 295 noes, Roll No. 481. Pages H8279–80

**Antiquities Act:** The House agreed to H. Res. 256, as amended, the rule to provide for consideration of H.R. 1127, to amend the Antiquities Act to require an Act of Congress and the concurrence of the Governor and State legislature for the establishment by the President of national monuments in excess of 5,000 acres. Earlier, agreed to the Solomon amendment that makes in order an amendment to H.R. 1127 to be offered only by Representative Hansen or his designee. Pages H8278–85

**Six Month Extension of ISTEA:** Agreed by unanimous consent to consider H.R. 2516, to extend the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of

1991 through March 31, 1998, that an amendment to the bill be considered as adopted, and that the bill, as amended, be considered as passed. Pages H8285–90

**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Nadler motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 207 yeas to 213 noes, Roll No. 483. Pages H8291–92

**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Schumer motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 202 yeas to 211 noes, Roll No. 486. Pages H8294–95

**Suspensions—Votes Postponed From September 29:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure debated on Monday, September 29.

**Religious Workers Act:** S. 1198, amended, to amend the Immigration and Nationality act to provide permanent authority for entry into the United States of certain religious workers—clearing the measure for the President; Page H8290

**Suspensions—Failed:** The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measures debated on Monday, September 29:

**Refugee and Entrant Assistance:** S. 1161, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize appropriations for refugee and entrant assistance for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 (with 2/3 required for passage, failed to pass by a ye and nay vote of 230 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 482); Page H8291

**Sense of Congress Regarding the Ocean:** H. Con. Res. 131, amended, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the ocean (with 2/3 required for passage, failed to pass by a ye and nay vote of 237 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 484); Page H8293

**Coral Reef Conservation Act:** H.R. 2233, amended, to assist in the conservation of coral reefs (with 2/3 required for passage, failed to pass by a recorded vote of 230 yeas to 181 noes, Roll No. 485); Pages H8293–94

**Canadian River Reclamation Project, Texas:** H.R. 2007, amended, to amend the Act that authorized the Canadian River reclamation project, Texas, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow use of the project distribution system to transport water from sources other than the project (with 2/3 required for passage, failed to pass by a ye and nay vote of 226 yeas to 176 nays with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 487); Pages H8295–96

**Miccosukee Settlement Act:** H.R. 1476, to settle certain Miccosukee Indian land takings claims within the State of Florida (with 2/3 required for passage, failed to pass by a ye and nay vote of 229 yeas to 176 nays, Roll No. 488); and **Pages H8296–97**

**Securities and Exchange Commission Authorization Act:** H.R. 1262, to authorize appropriations for the Securities and Exchange Commission for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 (with 2/3 required for passage, failed to pass by a ye and nay vote of 230 yeas to 170 nays, Roll No. 489). **Pages H8297–98**

**Order of Business—Suspensions:** Agreed by unanimous consent that further consideration of remaining motions to suspend the rules postponed from Monday, September 29 be postponed until, Monday, October 6. **Page H8298**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H8267, H8278, H8280.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Eight ye-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8277–78, H8279–80, H8291, H8291–92, H8293, H8293–94, H8294–95, H8295–96, H8296–97, and H8297–98. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### USDA'S GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND RESULTS ACT STATEMENT

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review the USDA's Government Performance and Results Act statement. Testimony was heard from Robert Robinson, Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; and Irwin David, Acting Chief Financial Officer, USDA.

### FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD—ACCOUNTING RULES FOR DERIVATIVES

**Committee on Banking and Financial Services:** Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) accounting rules for derivatives. Testimony was heard from Arthur Levitt, Jr., Chairman, SEC; Susan Phillips, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Edmund Jenkins, Chairman, Financial Accounting Standards Board; and public witnesses.

### \$50 BILLS—PRINTING FLAWS

**Committee on Banking and Financial Services:** Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on Printing Flaws on the Redesigned \$50 Bills. Testimony was heard from Larry Rolufs, Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Department of the Treasury; Theodore E. Allison, Assistant to the Board, Federal Reserve System; and Bernard Ungar, Director, Government Business, GAO.

### IMPLEMENTATION—CLEAN AIR ACT NAAQS REVISIONS—OZONE AND PARTICULATE MATTER

**Committee on Commerce:** Subcommittee on Health and Environment and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing on the Implementation of the Clean Air Act National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) Revisions for Ozone and Particulate Matter. Testimony was heard from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, EPA; William A. Walaska, Senator, State of Rhode Island; Steve Morse, Senator, State of Minnesota; Brian Frosh, Senator, State of Maryland; Pat McCrory, Mayor, Charlotte, North Carolina; and public witnesses.

### EMERGENCY STUDENT LOAN CONSOLIDATION ACT

**Committee on Education and the Workforce:** Ordered reported amended H.R. 2535, Emergency Student Loan Consolidation Act of 1997.

### CONTRACTING OUT—SUCCESSSES AND FAILURES

**Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:** Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on "Contracting Out—Successes and Failures." Testimony was heard from G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; John Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary, (Industrial Affairs and Installations), Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

### INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME AND GLOBAL TERRORISM THREAT

**Committee on International Relations:** Held a hearing on the Threat from International Organized Crime and Global Terrorism. Testimony was heard from Louis J. Freeh, Director, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

### KENYA SITUATION

**Committee on International Relations:** Subcommittee on Africa approved for full Committee action amended H. Con. Res. 130, concerning the situation in Kenya.