

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 3571–3578; and 1 resolution, and H. Res. 400 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3579, making Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1998 (H. Rept. 105–469);

H.R. 3580, making Supplemental Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1998 (H. Rept. 105–470);

Supplemental report on H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs (H. Rept. 105–467, Part 2); and

H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs (H. Rept. 105–467, Part 3).

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

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Forest Recovery and Protection Act: The House failed to pass H.R. 2515, to address the declining health of forests on Federal lands in the United States through a program of recovery and protection consistent with the requirements of existing public land management and environmental laws, to establish a program to inventory, monitor, and analyze public and private forests and their resources by a recorded vote of 181 ayes to 201 noes, Roll No. 80.

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Agreed To:

The Smith of Oregon amendment that strikes Section 11, requiring a program to inventory and analyze the public and private forests in the United States; and

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The Boehlert amendment to the Smith of Oregon amendment that prohibits the use of any funds to construct roads (agreed to by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 187 noes, Roll No. 79).

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Rejected the Smith of Oregon amendment, as amended, that sought to prohibit the use of any funds to construct roads.

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Withdrawn:

The Bass amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to include a Northern Forest Stewardship Act section to implement the Northern Forest Lands Council's vision of the Northern Forest.

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On March 26, agreed by unanimous consent that H. Res. 394, the rule that provided for consideration

of the bill, be considered as adopted; the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text be considered as read; and after general debate the bill be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule for a period not to extend beyond 1:30 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 1998. Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute, consisting of the text of H.R. 3530, was considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment.

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Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Baldacci wherein he resigned from the Committee on Small Business.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 400 electing Representative Capps to the Committees on International Relations and Science and Representatives Baldacci and Berry to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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Commemorative Coin Program: The House passed H.R. 3301, to amend chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code, to allow the Secretary of the Treasury greater discretion with regard to the placement of the required inscriptions on quarter dollars issued under the 50 States Commemorative Coin Program.

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Legislative Program: The Majority leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of March 30.

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Meeting Hour—March 30: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, March 30 for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, April 1.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1680–81 and H1681–82. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Institute of Neurological