

Committee on Science; and read a letter from Representative Goode wherein he resigned from the Committee on Small Business. **Page H5252**

Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 492, electing Representative Goode to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services; Representatives Tauscher and Brady of Pennsylvania to the Committee on National Security; and Representative Brady of Pennsylvania to the Committee on Small Business. **Page H5252**

Extension of Remarks: Agreed that all members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in that section of the RECORD entitled "Extensions of Remarks" on Thursday, June 25, 1998. **Page H5252**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5067.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H5298.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5195–96, H5196, H5196–97, H5211–12, H5212, H5221, and H5251–52. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL CREDIT MEASURES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research approved for full Committee action proposed legislation concerning agricultural credit.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary approved for full Committee action the Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Public Education, on Corrections and Public Safety Fiscal Year 1999 Budget requests. Testimony was heard from Gloria Jarmon, Director, GAO; Robert E. Langston, Chief, National Park Service Police, Department of the Interior; Stephen D. Harlan, member, D.C. Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; Maudine Cooper, Chair, Emergency Transitional Education Board of Trustees; and the following officials of the District of Columbia: Wilma Harvey, President, Board of Education; Arlene

Acherman, Superintendent, Public Schools; Josephine Baker, Chair, Public Charter School Board; Margaret A. Moore, Director, Department of Corrections; John L. Clark, Corrections Trustee; John A. Carver, Trustee, Court Services and Offender Supervision; Charles H. Ramsey, Chief, Metropolitan Police Department; Donald Edwards, Chief, Fire Department; and Annice M. Wagner, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals.

The Subcommittee also obtained information on the general D.C. Fiscal year 1999 budget request. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; PORTALS INVESTIGATION—CONTEMPT CITATION

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 872, Biomaterials Access Assurance Act of 1998; H.R. 2921, Multichannel Video Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1997; H.R. 8, Border Smog Reduction Act of 1998; and H.R. 1689, Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved, by a roll call vote of 26 yeas to 18 nays, a Report finding Franklin L. Haney in Contempt of Congress and directing the Speaker to certify the Report with respect to Mr. Haney to the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3248, Dollars in the Classroom Act; and H.R. 3007, Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on American Worker Project: Meeting the Needs of the 21st Century Workplace. Testimony was heard from Stephen Goldsmith, Mayor, Indianapolis, State of Indiana; and public witnesses.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM ISSUES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Civil Service Reform Issues. Testimony was heard from Janice LaChance, Director, OPM; Mike Brostek, Associate Director, Federal Workforce and Management Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs continued hearings

on "The Kyoto Protocol: Is the Clinton-Gore Administration Selling Our Americans? Part IV." Testimony was heard from Senator Enzi; Ernest Moniz, Under Secretary, Department of Energy; Eliza Perry, City Councilwoman, Homestead, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

COLOMBIAN HEROIN CRISIS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Colombian Heroin Crisis. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Tom Kneir: Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigation Division, FBI; and Donnie Marshall, Acting Deputy Administrator, DEA; and Bonnie G. Tischler, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Investigation, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Res. 415, to promote independent radio broadcasting in Africa; and H. Con. Res. 292, amended, calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia.

CHINA AND ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT: SUCCESS OR FAILURE?

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on China and Economic Engagement: Success or Failure? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY EFFECTS OF CONSOLIDATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing on the Effects of Consolidation on the State of Competition in the Telecommunications Industry. Testimony was heard from Joel Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Susan Ness, Commissioner, FCC; and public witnesses.

CLASS ACTION JURISDICTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1998, amended.

INTERNET GAMBLING PROHIBITION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on H.R. 2380, Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Kevin Di Gregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

ENCOURAGE COMPETITION AND TAX FAIRNESS AND PROTECT TAX BASE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 1168, to encourage competition and tax fairness and to protect the tax base of State and local governments. Testimony was heard from Representatives Istook, Visclosky and LaHood; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The rule waives clause 2(I)(6) of rule XI (requiring a 3 day layover of the committee report), clause 3 of rule XXI (requiring that the report include a list of unauthorized accounts), clause 7 of rule XXI (requiring relevant printed hearings and reports be available for three days prior to the consideration of a general appropriations bill), and section 401 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of budget-related legislation, as reported, that is not subject to appropriations) against consideration of the bill.

The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill), and clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in a general appropriations bill), of rule XXI against provisions in the bill, except against section 108 (mandating participation in government transit programs).

The rule provides that no amendments will be in order except those printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution. The rule provides that each amendment may be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a member designated in the report, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided between the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides that the chairman of the Committee of the Whole may postpone recorded votes on any amendment and that the chairman may reduce voting time on postponed questions to 5 minutes, provided that the voting time on the first in a series of questions is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instruction. Testimony was heard from Representatives Walsh, Serrano, Hoyer, Farr, Gutierrez and Blumenauer.

CONFERENCE REPORT—IRS RESTRUCTURING AND REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2676, Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer.

ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for the consideration of a concurrent resolution providing for the adjournment of the House and Senate for the Independence Day district work period. The rule waives all points of order against the consideration of the resolution.

OVERSIGHT—INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on Houston, We Have a Problem: The Administration's Plan to Fix the International Space Station. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NASA: Daniel Goldin, Administrator; and Jay Chabrow, Chairman, Cost Assessment and Validation Task Force, Advisory Council; and Allen Li, Associate Director, GAO.

HUBZONE PROGRAM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a hearing on the HubZone Program. Testimony was heard from Jesse L. White, Jr., Federal Co-Chairman, Appalachian Regional Commission; Ralph C. Thomas, III, Associate Administrator, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, NASA; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Loyd C. Alderman, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Defense Logistics Agency; and Tracey L. Pinson, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Office of the Secretary of the Army; Richard L. Hayes, Associate Deputy Administrator, Government Contracting and Minority Enterprise Development, SBA; and Robin Douglas, Regional Manager, Western Maryland, Department of Business and Economic Development, State of Maryland.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3980, amended, Persian Gulf Veterans Health Care and Research Act of 1998; and H.R. 4110, Veterans Benefits Improvement Act of 1998.

ERA OF SURPLUSES—MANAGING THE PUBLIC DEBT

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on Managing the Public Debt in an Era of Surpluses. Testimony was heard from Paul L. Posner, Director, Budget Issues, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; Gary Gensler, Assistant Secretary, Financial Markets, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

IRS REFORM

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation authorizing funds for child nutrition programs, including the Women, Infants and Children program, time and room to be announced.

Committee on Appropriations, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to continue hearings on H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers; to be followed by a business meeting to consider the nominations of Michael J. Copps, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary for Trade Development, and Awilda R. Marquez, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary, and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both of the Department of Commerce, and to mark up S. 1283, the "Little Rock Nine" Congressional Gold Medal Act, and the proposed "International Anti-Bribery Act of 1998", 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on the nomination of William Lloyd Massey, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 2146, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold closed hearings to examine Chinese missile proliferation, 2 p.m., S-407, Capitol.