

of 228 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 270. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yeas and nays vote of 222 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 269.

Pages H5315–29, H5331–32

Member Sworn: Representative-elect Heather Wilson of New Mexico presented herself in the well of the House and was administered the oath of office by the Speaker.

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IRS Restructuring and Reform Act Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, by a recorded vote of 402 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 273.

Pages H5352–68

Rejected the McDermott motion to recommit the conference report with instructions to managers on the part of the House to disagree to section 5001, relating to lower capital gains rates to apply to property held more than 1 year by a yeas and nays vote of 116 yeas to 292 nays, Roll No. 273.

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H. Res. 490, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report accompanying the bill, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H5304–07

Late Reports: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight on Wednesday, July 8, to file reports on bills making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies; and making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs, HUD, and sundry agencies.

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Legislative Program: Representative Solomon announced the legislative program for the week of July 13.

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Honoring the Berlin Airlift: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 230, amended, honoring the Berlin Airlift. Earlier, agreed by unanimous consent to technical amendments offered by Mr. Hefley.

Pages H5385–86

Child Support Performance and Incentive Act: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements, with House amendments.

Pages H5370–85

Private Non-Profit Food Bank Volunteers: The House passed H.R. 3152, amended, to provide that certain volunteers at private non-profit food banks are not employees for purposes of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938. Earlier, agreed by unanimous

consent to the amendment in the nature of a substitute offered by Mr. Ballenger.

Pages H5386–87

Emancipation of African slaves in the Danish West Indies now the United States Virgin Islands: The House agreed to H. Res. 495, relating to the recognition of the connection between the emancipation of African slaves in the Danish West Indies, now the United States Virgin Islands, to the American Declaration of Independence from the British Government.

Pages H5387–88

Presidential Message—Science and Engineering Indicators: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the Science and Engineering Indicators of 1998 report of the National Science Board—referred to the Committee on Science.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Morella to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through July 14, 1998.

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Resignations and Appointments: Agreed that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Tuesday, July 14, 1998, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader, be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on July 15.

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Senate Message: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H5299 and H5392.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5406–08.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yeas and nays votes, and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5329–30, H5330–31, H5331–32, H5332, H5351, H5351–52, H5367–68, and H5368. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 297, adjourned at 7:33 p.m., until July 14.

Committee Meetings

FOOD QUALITY PROTECTION ACT—IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review the implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Richard Rominger, Deputy Secretary, USDA;

Fred Hansen, Deputy Administrator, EPA; Jean-Mari Peltier, Chief Deputy Director, Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Pesticide Regulation, State of California; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURAL EXPORT PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION'S USE

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities held a hearing to review the Administration's use of agricultural export programs. Testimony was heard from Representative Hill and August Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, USDA.

INTERIOR AND VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for fiscal year 1999: Interior and VA, HUD and Independent Agencies.

HOMEOWNERS' INSURANCE AVAILABILITY ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Began markup of H.R. 219, Homeowners' Insurance Availability Act of 1997.

Will continue July 15.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: Consumer Protection in Cyberspace. Testimony was heard from Eileen Harrington, Associate Director, Division of Marketing Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; Shirley Sarna, Assistant Attorney General, Bureau of Consumer Frauds and Protection, State of New York; and public witnesses.

IMPEDIMENTS TO UNION DEMOCRACY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations continued hearings on Impediments to Union Democracy, Part II: Right to Vote in the Carpenter's Union? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NIGERIA—PROSPECTS FOR DEMOCRACY

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Prospects for Democracy in Nigeria. Testimony was heard from Susan Rice, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on the following bills; H.R. 4100, Free Market Prison Industries Reform Act of 1998; and H.R. 2758, Federal Prison Industries Competi-

tion in Contracting Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice: Kathleen Hawk Sawyer, Director; and Steve Schwalb, Assistant Director; Michael J. Sullivan, Secretary, Department of Corrections, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

RADIATION WORKERS JUSTICE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration held a hearing on H.R. 3539, Radiation Workers Justice Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Redmond; Donald M. Remy, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice; Lawrence J. Fine, M.D., Director, Division of Surveillance, Hazard Evaluations and Field Studies, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FOREST SERVICE TRAINING

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Forest Service Training. Testimony was heard from Ron Stewart, Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, USDA.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES OVERSIGHT— AUBURN DAM SITE;

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 4111, amended, to provide for outlet modifications to Folsom Dam, a study for reconstruction of the Northfork American River Cofferdam, and the transfer to the State of California all right, title, and interest in and to the Auburn Dam; H.R. 1282, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities of the Minidoka project to the Burley Irrigation district; H.R. 1943, amended, to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District; H.R. 3056, to provide for the preservation and sustainability of the family farm through the transfer of responsibility for operation and maintenance of the Flathead Indian Irrigation Project; H.R. 3687, amended, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas; and H.R. 4048, amended, to convey the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District.

The Subcommittee held an oversight hearing on the status of the Auburn Dam Site and the potential to transfer the Federal interest to the State of California. Testimony was heard from John Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil

Works, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—CHINA: DUAL-USE SPACE TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on China: Dual-Use Space Technology. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WOMEN'S SMALL BUSINESS EXPANSION ACT

Committee on Small Business: Ordered reported H.R. 4078, Women's Small Business Expansion Act of 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and U.S. courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston-Salem, NC, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; H.R. 2787, amended, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse"; H.R. 3696, amended, to designate the Federal Courthouse located at 316 North 26th Street in Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin Federal Courthouse"; H.R. 3982, amended, to designate the Federal building located at 310 New Bern Avenue in Raleigh, North Carolina, as the "Terry Sanford Federal Building"; H.R. 3223, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building"; S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse"; Corps of Engineers Survey Resolutions; NRCS Small Watershed Project Resolutions; H.R. 3869, amended, Disaster Mitigation Act of 1998; H.R. 4058, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration; H.R. 2748, amended, Airline Service Improvement Act; and H.R. 4057, amended, Airport Improvement Program Reauthorization Act of 1998.

The Committee approved the following resolutions: 12 Public Building; 9 construction; 1 advance design; 2 repair and alteration; 9 Corps of Engineers Survey; and 2 NRCS Small Watershed Project.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held an oversight hearing of the U.S. Role in the International Maritime Organization. Testimony

was heard from Rear Adm. Robert C. North, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Marine Safety, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT COVERAGE CORRECTIONS ACT; TRADE MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3249, Federal Retirement Coverage Corrections Act.

The Committee adversely reported the following measures: H.J. Res. 120, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam; and H.J. Res. 121, disapproving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D690)

H.R. 1847, to improve the criminal law relating to fraud against consumers. Signed June 23, 1998. (P.L. 105-184)

S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs. Signed June 23, 1998. (P.L. 105-185)

S. 1900, to establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposition of Holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action. Signed June 23, 1998. (P.L. 105-186)

H.R. 3811, to establish felony violations for the failure to pay legal child support obligations. Signed June 24, 1998. (P.L. 105-187)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 1998

Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

House

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Human Rights in China, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.