

amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment incorporates provisions of S. 1822, S. 2115, 2181 S.)

Also, committee reconsidered their action of October 7, 1997, and again ordered favorably reported S. 730, to make retroactive the entitlement of certain Medal of Honor recipients to the special pension provided for persons entered and recorded on the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard Medal of Honor Roll, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment incorporates provisions of S. 730, S. 1743, S. 1745, and S. 2108.)

CALIFORNIA NURSING HOMES

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the quality of care in California nursing homes, focusing on certain allegations of

abuse and neglect and the adequacy of the Health Care Financing Administration's enforcement of federal care requirements for nursing homes, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Charlene Harrington, University of California, San Francisco; Andrew M. Kramer, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Boulder; Dennis Stone, American Medical Directors Association, Columbia, Maryland, on behalf of the California Association of Health Facilities; and Paul R. Willging, American Health Care Association, and Sheldon L. Goldberg, American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, both of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 4340-4341; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 312 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3891, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to prohibit the unauthorized destruction, modification, or alteration of product identification codes, amended (H. Rept. 105-650);

H. Res. 510, providing for consideration of H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105-651); and

H. Res. 511, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact (H. Rept. 105-652). Page H6510

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Burr to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H6489

Recess: The House recessed at 10:17 a.m. and reconvened at 11:30 a.m. Page H6491

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H6489.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H6511.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 341) and one ye and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6491 and H6508-09.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 and at 2:59 p.m. agreed to the Gutknecht motion to adjourn in memory of Detective Gibson and Private First Class Chestnut by a ye and nay vote of 392 yeas with none voting "nay" and 1 voting "present," Roll No. 342.

Committee Meetings

USE OF DECEPTIVE PRACTICES TO GAIN ACCESS TO PERSONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing to review the Use of Deceptive Practices to Gain Access to Personal Financial Information. Testimony was heard from Julie L. Williams, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury; Mozelle W. Thompson, Commissioner, FTC; Jeff Clements, Assistant Attorney General, State of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

"CLINTON-GORE V. STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS"

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural