

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H7290–94.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and fourteen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7212–13, H7213, H7213–14, H7214–15, H7215, H7215–16, H7224, H7224–25, H7242–43, H7262–63, H7263, H7263–64, H7285–86, H7286, and H7287–88. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:15 a.m. on Thursday, August 6.

Committee Meetings

FOOD STAMP VERIFICATION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing on H.R. 4366, Food Stamp Verification Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Robert E. Robertson, Associate Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; and Shirley Watkins, Under Secretary, Food and Nutrition Services, USDA.

FINANCIAL CONTRACT NETTING IMPROVEMENT ACT; FINANCIAL INFORMATION PRIVACY ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported the following bills; H.R. 4393, Financial Contract Netting Improvement Act of 1998; and H.R. 4321, amended, Financial Information Privacy Act of 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3844, Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1998; H.R. 4017, Energy Conservation Reauthorization Act of 1998; and H.R. 4382, Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

PRISON INDUSTRY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Prison Industry: Effects on Inmates, Law-Abiding Workers, and Business. Testimony was heard from Representatives Collins, Kennedy of Rhode Island, and Frank of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Oversight: Met and approved pending Committee business.

HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHINA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights continued meetings on Human Rights in China—Day 2.

REGIONAL CONFLICT: COLOMBIA'S INSURGENCY AND PROSPECT FOR PEACEFUL RESOLUTION

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Regional Conflict: Colombia's Insurgency and Prospects for a Peaceful Resolution. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1998; H.R. 218, Community Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 3607, National Youth Crime Prevention Demonstration Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1467, amended, to provide for the continuance of oil and gas operations pursuant to certain existing leases in the Wayne National Forest; H.R. 1481, amended, Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1997; S. 1693, amended, Vision 2020 National Parks Restoration Act; S. 1695, Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Preservation Act of 1998; H.R. 2108, amended, Dutch John Federal Property Disposition and Assistance Act of 1997; H.R. 2756, amended, Kake Tribal Corporation Land Exchange Act; H.R. 3056, amended, 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. 3381, amended, Gallatin Land Consolidation Act of 1998; H.R. 3687, amended, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas; H.R. 3878, to subject certain reserved mineral interests of the operation of the Mineral Leasing Act; H.R. 3972, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from charging State and local government agencies for certain uses of the sand, gravel, and shell resources of the outer Continental Shelf; H.R. 4023, amended, to provide for the conveyance of the Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest; H.R. 4166, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land; H.R. 4313, to amend the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to provide that the number of members on the legislature of the Virgin Islands and the number of such members

constituting a quorum shall be determined by the laws of the Virgin Islands; and H.R. 4389, amended, to provide for the conveyance of various reclamation project facilities to local water authorities.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, an open rule on H.R. 4380, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 providing one hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 7 of rule XXI (requiring relevant printed hearings and reports to be available for three-days prior to the consideration of a general appropriations bill), section 306 (prohibiting consideration of legislation within the Budget Committee's jurisdiction, unless reported by the Budget Committee) and section 401(a) (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new contract, borrowing or credit authority that is not limited to the amounts provided in appropriation acts) of the Congressional Budget Act. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill) and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations in a general appropriations bill) except as specified by the rule. The rule provides that amendments printed in the Rules Committee report may be offered only a Member designated in the report, may be offered only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule accords priority in recognition to those amendments that are pre-printed in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and to reduce to five minutes the voting time on any postponed question, provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Taylor of North Carolina, Davis of Virginia, Tiahrt, Bilbray, Moran of Virginia and Norton.

INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION'S PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on the White House Perspective on the International Space Station's Problems and Solutions. Testimony was heard from Jacob Lew, Acting Director, OMB; Duncan Moore, Associate Director, Technology, Office of Science and Technology Policy; and Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA.

MOTOR CARRIER ECONOMIC REGULATORY ISSUES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation held a hearing on Motor Carrier Economic Regulatory Issues. Testimony was heard from Representatives Boehlert and Goss; Kenneth R. Wykle, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation; Shirley F. Sarna, Assistant Attorney General in Charge, Consumer Frauds and Protections Bureau, Office of the Attorney General, State of New York; and public witnesses.

GARNISHMENT OF BENEFITS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the garnishment of benefits paid to veterans for child support and other court-ordered family obligations. Testimony was heard from John H. Thompson, Acting General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs; Lt. Gen. Normand G. Lezy, USAF, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Military Personnel Policy, Department of Defense; representatives of veterans associations and organizations; and public witnesses.

IRAQ

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Iraq. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate Committee meetings scheduled ahead, see page E1566 in today's Record.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to consider H.R. 4149, Forest Service Cost Reduction and Fiscal Accountability Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, to mark