

behalf of the National Association of Government Guaranteed Lenders; and Max E. Summers, Missouri Small Business Development Centers, Columbia, on

behalf of the Association of Small Business Development Centers.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 31 public bills, H.R. 1110–1140; 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 39–40, and H. Res. 115–118, were introduced. **Pages H1333–35**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 807, amended, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide portability of service credit for persons who leave employment with the Federal Reserve Board to take positions with other Government agencies (H. Rept. 106–53);

H. Res. 113, providing for consideration of H.R. 820, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the Coast Guard (H. Rept. 106–54);

H. Res. 114, providing for consideration of H.R. 975, to provide for a reduction in the volume of steel imports, and to establish a steel import notification and monitoring program (H. Rept. 106–55);

H.R. 130, to designate the United States Courthouse located at 40 Centre Street in New York, New York as the “Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 106–56);

H.R. 751, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 504 Hamilton Street in Allentown, Pennsylvania, as the “Edward N. Cahn Federal Building and United States Courthouse,” amended (H. Rept. 106–57);

H. Con. Res. 44, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 18th annual National Peace Officers’ Memorial Service, amended (H. Rept. 106–58);

H. Con. Res. 47, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby, amended (H. Rept. 106–59);

H. Con. Res. 48, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the opening ceremonies of Sunrayce 99 (H. Rept. 106–60);

H. Con. Res. 49, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a bike rodeo to be conducted by the Earth Force Youth Bike Summit (H. Rept. 106–61);

H. Con. Res. 50, authorizing the 1999 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds (H. Rept. 106–62); and

H. Con. Res. 52, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances spon-

sored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (H. Rept. 106–63). **Page H1333**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Morella to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1269**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:06 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m. **Page H1274**

**Presidential Message—Re Iran:** Read a message from the president wherein he transmitted his periodic report on the National Emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–40). **Page H1276**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Women’s Business Center Amendments:** H.R. 774, amended, to amend the Small Business Act to change the conditions of participation and provide an authorization of appropriations for the women’s business center program (passed by a yeas and nays vote of 385 yeas to 23 nays, Roll No. 51); **Pages H1276–79, H1301–02**

**District of Columbia Court Employees Whistleblower Protection:** H.R. 858, to amend title 11, District of Columbia Code, to extend coverage under the whistleblower protection provisions of the District of Columbia Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978 to personnel of the courts of the District of Columbia; **Pages H1279–81**

**Federal Reserve Board Retirement Portability:** H.R. 807, amended, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide portability of service credit for persons who leave employment with the Federal Reserve Board to take positions with other Government agencies. Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H1281–85**

**Honoring the Late Joe DiMaggio:** H. Res. 105, recognizing and honoring Joe DiMaggio; and **Pages H1285–88**

**Opposition to the Unilateral Declaration of a Palestinian State:** H. Con. Res. 24, expressing congressional opposition to the unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state and urging the President to assert clearly United States opposition to such a unilateral

declaration of statehood (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 380 yeas to 24 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 52).

Pages H1288-98, H1302

**Federal Maritime Commission Authorization:** The House passed H.R. 819, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Maritime Commission for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 by a ye and nay vote of 403 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 50.

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Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 104, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1300-01, H1301, and H1302. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services. Testimony was heard from Shirley Watkins, Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, USDA.

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Laurie Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs; Shay Bilchik, Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; and Joseph E. Brann, Director, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.

### ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on Nuclear Waste Management and Disposal. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: James M. Owendorff, Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Environmental Management, and Lake H. Barrett, Acting Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management.

### INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on U.S. Geological Survey. Testimony

was heard from Charles G. Groat, Director, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Secretary of Labor, the Employment Standards Administration and the Mine Safety and Health Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Alexis M. Herman, Secretary; Bernard E. Anderson, Assistant Secretary, Employment Standards Administration; and J. Davitt McAteer, Assistant Secretary, Mine Safety and Health.

### TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on Coast Guard Capital and Funding Requirements. Testimony was heard from Adm. James Loy, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation and John Anderson, Director, Transportation Issues, GAO.

### MARITIME ADMINISTRATION AND PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION AUTHORIZATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Special Oversight Panel on the Merchant Marine held a hearing on the fiscal year 2000 Maritime Administration authorization request and fiscal year 2000 (first quarter) Panama Canal Commission authorization request. Testimony was heard from Clyde Hart, Administrator, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation; Louis Caldera, Secretary of the Army; and Alberto Aleman Zubieta, Administrator, Panama Canal Commission.

### LONG-TERM PLANNING—MILITARY INFRASTRUCTURE AND INSTALLATIONS MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on long-term planning for military infrastructure and installations management requirements. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Maj. Gen. Robert L. Van Antwerp, Jr., USA, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations Management, Department of the Army; Rear Adm. Michael W. Shelton, USN, Facilities and Engineering Division (N44), Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Logistics, Department of Navy; Maj. Gen. Eugene A. Lupia, USAF, The Civil Engineer, Department of the Air Force; Maj. Gen. Geoffrey B. Higginbotham, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Installations and Logistics (Facilities), Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; and Read Adm. Jack E. Buffington, USN (Ret.),