

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 1214–1241; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 67, and H. Res. 126–128 were introduced. **Pages H1595–97**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H. Con. Res. 68, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2001 through 2009 (H. Rept. 106–73);

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 (H. Rept. 106–74 Part 1);

H.R. 154, to provide for the collection of fees for the making of motion pictures, television productions, and sound tracks in National Park System and National Wildlife Refuge System units, amended (H. Rept. 106–75); and

H. Res. 125, providing for consideration of H.R. 1141, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 106–76). **Page H1594**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1479**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:44 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m. **Page H1480**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Hoyer, Markey, Cardin, and Slaughter to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. **Page H1481**

United States Holocaust Memorial Council: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Lantos and Frost to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council. **Page H1481**

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

Small Business Year 2000 Readiness Act: The House passed S. 314, to provide for a loan guarantee program to address the Year 2000 computer problems of small business concerns—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H1488–90**

Small Business Investment Company Technical Corrections: Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 68, to amend section 20 of the Small Business Act and make technical corrections in Title III of

the Small Business Investment Act—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H1490–91**

Edward N. Cahn Federal Building and United States Courthouse: H.R. 751, amended, 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.” Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H1492–93**

Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse: 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;” **Pages H1493–95**

Performances Sponsored by the Kennedy Center on the Capitol Grounds: H. Con. Res. 52, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; **Page H1496**

Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run: H. Con. Res. 50, authorizing the 1999 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds; **Pages H1496–97**

National Peace Officers' Memorial Service: H. Con. Res. 44, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 18th annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; **Pages H1497–99**

Greater Washington Soap Box Derby: H. Con. Res. 47, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; **Pages H1499–H1500**

Federal Retirement Coverage Corrections: H.R. 416, amended, to provide for the rectification of certain retirement coverage errors affecting Federal employees; **Pages H1500–10**

International Conference on Population and Development: H. Res. 118, reaffirming the principles of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development with respect to the sovereign rights of countries and the right of voluntary and informed consent in family planning programs; **Pages H1510–25**

Human Rights in Cuba: H. Res. 99, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the human rights situation in Cuba; **Pages H1525–31**

Crop Revenue Coverage PLUS Supplemental Endorsement: H.R. 1212, amended, to protect producers of agricultural commodities who applied for a Crop Revenue Coverage PLUS supplemental endorsement for the 1999 crop year; **Pages H1538–40**

Arlington National Cemetery Burial Eligibility: H.R. 70, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for burial in Arlington National Cemetery (passed by a ye and nay vote of 428 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 61); **Pages H1483–88, H1547–48**

20th Anniversary of the Taiwan Relations: H. Con. Res. 56, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Taiwan Relations Act (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 429 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 62); and **Pages H1531–35, H1548**

Anti-Semitic Statements: H. Con. Res. 37, amended, concerning anti-Semitic statements made by members of the Duma of the Russian Federation (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 421 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 63). **Pages H1535–38, H1548–49**

Suspension—Failed: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass H. Res. 121, affirming the Congress’ opposition to all forms of racism and bigotry by a ye and nay vote of 254 yeas to 152 nays with 24 voting “present,” Roll No. 60, with two-thirds required for passage. **Pages H1541–47**

Education Flexibility Partnership Act: The House disagreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 800, to provide for education flexibility partnerships, and agreed to a conference. **Pages H1549–56, H1567**

Appointed as conferees from the Committee on Education and the Workforce: Representatives Goodling, Hoekstra, Castle, Greenwood, Souder, Schaffer, Clay, Kildee, George Miller of California, and Payne. **Page H1567**

By a ye and nay vote of 205 yeas to 222 nays, Roll No. 64, rejected the Clay motion to instruct conferees to disagree to sections 6(b), 7(b), 9(b), and 11(b) of the Senate amendment, (adding new subsections to the end of section 307 of the Department of Education Appropriations Act of 1999), which is necessary to ensure the first year of funding to hire 100,000 new teachers to reduce class sizes in the early grades; and to agree that additional funding be authorized to be appropriated under sections 8 and 10 of the Senate amendment for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, but not by reducing funds for class size reduction as proposed in sections 6(b), 7(b), 9(b), and 11(b) of the Senate amendment. **Pages H1549–56**

House Committee Expenses: The House agreed to H. Res. 101, providing amounts for the expenses of

certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Sixth Congress, by a recorded vote of 216 yeas to 210 noes, Roll No. 66. **Pages H1556–67**

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page H1564**

By a ye and nay vote of 205 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 65, rejected the Hoyer motion to recommit the resolution to the Committee on House Administration with instructions to report promptly back to the House a resolution identical to the text of H. Res. 101, as amended by the House, except to strike sections 1, 2, and 3 dealing with committee expenses, first session limitations and second session limitations and insert a substitute text allocating one-third of the amounts to the minority and to strike section 6 dealing with the reserve fund and insert a substitute text allocating one-third to the minority. **Pages H1564–66**

Citizen Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: The House passed H.J. Res. 26, H.J. Res. 27, and H.J. Res. 28, providing for the reappointments of Barber B. Conable, Jr., Dr. Hanna H. Gray, and Wesley S. Williams, Jr. as citizen regents of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution respectively. **Pages H1567–68**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H1481.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H1598.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1546–47, H1547–48, H1548, H1548–49, H1555–56, H1566, and H1567. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on Fiscal Year 2000 Navy/Marine Corps Acquisition Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: H. Lee Buchanan, Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Vice Adm. Conrad C. Lautenbacher, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations; and Lt. Gen. Michael J. Williams, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, U.S. Marine Corps.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on U.S.