

success of future entrepreneurs, small businesses, and the workforce, receiving testimony from Eric Rolfe Greenberg, American Management Association, International, New York, New York; Carol L. Ball, Ball Publishing, Inc., Greenville, Ohio, on behalf of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce; Barbara Seisler Goodling, Albert Seisler Machine Corporation, Mohnton, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business; Edward B. Rust, Jr., State Farm Insurance Companies, Bloomington, Illinois, on behalf of the National Alliance of Business and the Business Roundtable; and Kelly Fujiwara, Lexington/Rockbridge Chamber of Commerce, Lexington, Virginia.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

COMMUNITY Y2K PREPAREDNESS

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Committee concluded hearings to explore individual

and community Y2K preparedness, and the media's role in providing Y2K information, after receiving testimony from Edward Yourdon, Cutter Consortium, Taos, New Mexico; Paloma O'Riley, Cassandra Project, Louiseville, Colorado; Liza K. Christian, Rogue Valley Y2K Task Force, Ashland, Oregon; Michael Nolan, City of Norfolk, Nebraska; Cathy Hotka, National Retail Federation, and Barbara Cochran, Radio-Television News Directors Association, both of Washington, D.C.; Lawrence T. McGill and Kerry Brock, both of the Media Studies Center, New York, New York; James Adams, Infrastructure Defense, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; and Rich Jaroslovsky, Wall Street Journal Interactive Edition, New York, New York, on behalf of the Online News Association.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 37 public bills, H.R. 1915–1941; and 9 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 112–118 and H. Res. 187–188, were introduced. **Pages H3604–05**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2000 (H. Rept. 106–163);

H. Res. 189, providing for consideration of H.R. 150, to amend the Act popularly known as the Recreation and Public Purposes Act to authorize disposal of certain public lands or national forest lands to local education agencies for use for elementary or secondary schools, including public charter schools (H. Rept. 106–164); and

H. Res. 190, providing for consideration of H.R. 1905, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 (H. Rept. 106–165). **Pages H3603–04**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:27 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. **Page H3510**

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

The Missing, Exploited, and Runaway Children Protection Act: S. 249, amended, to provide funding for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, to reauthorize the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (passed by a ye and nay vote of 414 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 148); **Pages H3513–21, H3538–39**

Drug Free Borders and Prevention of On-Line Child Pornography: H.R. 1833, amended, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the United States Customs Service for drug interdiction and other operations, for the Office of the United States Trade Representative, for the United States International Trade Commission (passed by a ye and nay vote of 410 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 149); and **Pages H3521–29, H3539**

Tenth Anniversary of Tiananmen Square Massacre: H. Res. 178, concerning the tenth anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre of June 4, 1989, in the People's Republic of China (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 150). **Pages H3529–35, H3540**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 188, electing Representatives Berkley and Udall of Colorado to the Committee on Small Business. **Page H3540**

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: The Chair announced the Minority Leader's appointment of Dr. Joseph Cooper of Baltimore, Maryland to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress. **Page H3540**

Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Appropriations: The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to H.R. 1906, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year

ending September 30, 2000. Consideration will resume on May 26.

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Agreed to:

The Coburn amendment that reduces funding for the Chief Information Officer by \$500,000 (agreed to by a recorded vote of 239 yeas to 177 noes with 3 voting “present”, Roll No. 154); and

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The Sanders amendment that reduces funding for the Agricultural Research Service by \$13,000,000 and increases funding for the commodity assistance program by \$10,000,000.

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Rejected:

The Coburn amendment that sought to reduce funding for the Office of Budget and Program Analysis by \$463,000 (rejected by a recorded vote of 133 yeas to 285 noes, Roll No. 152);

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The Coburn amendment that sought to reduce funding for the Office of Budget and Program Analysis, by \$231,000 (rejected by a recorded vote of 146 yeas to 267 noes, Roll No. 153);

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The Sanford amendment that sought to reduce funding for the operation, maintenance, and repair of Agriculture buildings by \$21,695,000 (rejected by a recorded vote of 143 yeas to 274 noes, Roll No. 155);

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The Coburn amendment that sought to reduce funding for Departmental Administration by \$3,049,000 (rejected by a recorded vote of 129 yeas to 289 noes, Roll No. 156); and

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The Coburn amendment that sought to reduce funding for the Office of the Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics by \$400,000 (rejected by a recorded vote of 139 yeas to 278 noes, Roll No. 157).

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Withdrawn:

The Coburn amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to reduce funding for Economic Research Service by \$4,509,000.

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H. Res. 185, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a yeas and nay vote of 402 yeas to 10 nays, Roll No. 147.

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H3606–07.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 151), four yeas and nay votes, and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3538, H3538–39, H3539, H3540, H3551–52, H3552, H3553, H3564–65, H3582–83, H3583, and H3583–84.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Social Security held a hearing on International Social Security Reform. Testimony was heard from Dan Crippen, Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

Y2K AND MEDICAL DEVICES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing on Y2K and Medical Devices: Screening for the Y2K Bug. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FDA, Department of Health and Human Services: William Hubbard, Acting Deputy Commissioner for Policy; and Thomas Shope, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Science and Technology, Center for Devices and Radiological Health; Joel C. Willemsen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

SECURITY AND FREEDOM THROUGH ENCRYPTION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Practices held a hearing on H.R. 850, Security and Freedom through Encryption (SAFF) Act. Testimony was heard from Ronald D. Lee, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; Barbara McNamara, Deputy Director, NSA, Department of Defense; William Reinsch, Under Secretary, Commerce, Export Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

EDUCATION REFORM

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Education Reform: Putting the Needs of Our Children First. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered the following measures and adopted motions urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.R. 1908, amended, to authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign countries; H. Res. 178, concerning the tenth anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre of June 4, 1989, in the People's Republic of China; and H. Res. 168, recognizing the Foreign