

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 2316–2334; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 142, and H. Res. 219–220 were introduced. Pages H4821–22

**Reports Filed:** One report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 1651, to amend the Fishermen's Protective Act of 1967 to extend the period during which reimbursement may be provided to owners of United States fishing vessels for costs incurred when such a vessel is seized and detained by a foreign country (H. Rept. 106–197). Page H4821

**Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations:** The House passed H.R. 2084, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, by a yeas and nays vote of 429 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 250. Pages H4748–85

Agreed to:

The Young of Florida amendment that rescinds contract authorization for Grants-in-Aid for Airports, Airport and Airway Trust Fund, by \$300 million; Pages H4766–68

The Sanford amendment that reduces funding for the Transportation Administrative Service Center funding by \$1 million. Earlier, a similar amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn; Pages H4776–77

The Andrews amendment that reduces funding for the Amtrak Reform Council by \$300,000 (agreed to by a recorded vote of 289 yeas to 141 nays, Roll No. 248); and Pages H4777–78, H4782–83

The Rogan amendment that prohibits any funding for the planning or development of the California State Route 710 Freeway extension project through South Pasadena, California. Earlier, the amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn (agreed to by a recorded vote of 241 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 249). Pages H4778–81, H4783

Withdrawn:

The Sanford amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to reduce funding for the Transportation Administrative Service Center by \$1 million; Page H4773

The Rogan amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to prohibit any funding for the planning or development of the California State Route 710 Freeway extension project through South Pasadena, California; Page H4776

The Nadler amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to prohibit funding for the Miller highway project in New York; and Pages H4781–82

The Smith of Michigan amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to strike funding of \$980.4 million for new mass transit rail systems. Pages H4783–84

Points of Order Sustained Against:

Language on page 11, lines 8 and 9; Pages H4764–65

Language on page 10 line 17 through page 13, line 13; Page H4765

Language on page 13, line 16; Page H4765

Language on page 15, line 20; Page H4765

Language on page 17, line 14; Pages H4768–69

Language on page 18, line 4; Page H4769

Language on page 19, line 5; Page H4769

Language on page 19, line 25; Page H4769

Language on page 25, line 9; Page H4770

Language on page 32, line 8; Page H4770

Section 337, page 50, lines 1–4; Page H4774

Section 338, page 50, lines 5–9; Page H4774

Section 342, page 50, line 22 through page 51, line 4; Page H4774

Section 343, page 51, lines 5–12; and Page H4774

Section 346, page 52, lines 1–10. Page H4775

H. Res. 218 the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 416 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 247. Pages H4746–48

**Satellite Home Viewer Act:** The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1554, to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, and the Communications Act of 1934, relating to copyright licensing and carriage of broadcast signals by satellite, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Biley, Tauzin, Oxley, Dingell, and Markey from the Committee on Commerce; provided that Representative Boucher is appointed in lieu of Representative Markey for consideration of sections 712(b)(1), 712(b)(2), and 712(c)(1) of the Communications Act of 1934 as added by section 104 of the House bill; and Representatives Hyde, Coble, Goodlatte, Conyers, and Berman from the Committee on the Judiciary. Page H4787

**Order of Business:** Agreed that after debate on H.J. Res. 33, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, it may be in order at that point for the Chair to postpone further consideration of the bill until the following legislative day, on which consideration may resume at a time designated by the Speaker. Page H4787

**Constitutional Amendment to Prohibit Flag Desecration:** The House completed general debate on H.J. Res. 33, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States and pursuant to the earlier order of the House, further proceedings were postponed until June 24. **Pages H4787–H4804**

**International Financial Institution Advisory Commission:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Campbell of California and Mr. Allan H. Meltzer of Pennsylvania to the International Financial Institution Advisory Commission. **Page H4804**

**Presidential Message—Nuclear Regulatory Commission:** Message wherein he transmitted the annual report of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for fiscal year 1997—referred to the Committee on Commerce. **Page H4804**

**National Commission on Terrorism:** Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he announced his appointment of the Honorable Jane Harman of Torrance, California and Mr. Salam Al-Marayati of Shadow Hills, California to the Commission on Terrorism. **Page H4806**

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate appears on page H4587.

**Amendments Ordered Printed:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H4823–27.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea and nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4747–48, H4782–83, H4783, and H4784–85. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

## ***Committee Meetings***

### **WTO MINISTERIAL**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Held a hearing on the Administration's preparation for the 1999 World Trade Organization (WTO) Ministerial. Testimony was heard from Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture; Charlene Barshefsky, U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

### **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on the DC Budget. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Anthony Williams, Mayor; Linda Cropp, Chairman, Council; and

Valerie Holt, Chief Financial Officer; Alice Rivlin, Chairman, D.C. Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; and a public witness.

### **SECURITY AND FREEDOM THROUGH ENCRYPTION (SAFE) ACT**

*Committee on Commerce:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 850, Security and Freedom through Encryption (SAFE) Act.

### **AMERICA'S HEALTH**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and Environment continued hearings on America's Health, focusing on Protecting Patients with a Strong Appeals Process. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **WORKFORCE PRESERVATION ACT; REWARDING PERFORMANCE IN COMPENSATION ACT**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 987, Workforce Preservation Act; and H.R. 1381, amended, Rewarding Performance in Compensation Act.

### **IS MEXICO A SAFE HAVEN FOR KILLERS?**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources held a hearing on Getting Away With Murder, Is Mexico a Safe Haven for Killers?: The Del Toro Case. Testimony was heard from Representative Miller of Florida; Mary Lee Warren, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Jamison M. Borek, Deputy Legal Advisor, Department of State; and a public witness.

### **YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE ACT**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 1599, Year 2000 Compliance Assistance Act. Testimony was heard from Joel C. Willemsen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; Frank P. Pugliese, Commissioner, Federal Supply Service, GSA; and public witnesses.

### **OVERSIGHT—COMBATING TERRORISM**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs and International Relations held an oversight hearing on Combating Terrorism: Role of the National Guard Response Teams. Testimony was heard from Mark E. Gebicke, Director, National Security Preparedness Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Charles Cragin, Acting Assistant Secretary,