

**NURSING HOME CARE**

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the Health Care Financing Administration's implementation of their nursing home improvement initiative, after receiving testimony from Rachel Block, Deputy Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Director,

Health Financing and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Catherine G. Morris, New Jersey Department of Health, Trenton, on behalf of the Association of Health Facility Survey Agencies; David R. Zimmerman, University of Wisconsin Center for Health Systems Research, Madison; Andrew Kramer, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Denver; and Charlene Harrington, University of California School of Nursing, San Francisco.

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## House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Bills Introduced:** 24 public bills, H.R. 2389–2412; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 237, were introduced.

Pages H5177–79

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

H. Res. 234, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 775, to establish certain procedures for civil actions brought for damages relating to the failure of any device or system to process or otherwise deal with the transition from the year 1999 to the year 2000 (H. Rept. 106–213);

H. Res. 235, providing for the consideration of 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. 106–214); and

H. Res. 236, providing for consideration of a concurrent resolution providing for the adjournment of the House and Senate for the Independence Day district work period (H. Rept. 106–215). Page H5177

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Walsh to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H5095

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Rev. Don Borling of Orland Park, Illinois. Page H5095

**Child Custody Protection Act:** The House passed H.R. 1218, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions by a recorded vote of 270 ayes to 159 noes, Roll No. 261. Pages H5102–23

Rejected the Jackson-Lee of Texas motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment specifying that the

prohibitions do not apply with respect to conduct by an adult sibling or grandparent, or by a minister, rabbi, pastor, priest, or other religious leader of the minor by a ye and nay vote of 164 yeas to 268 nays, Roll No. 260. Pages H5120–22

H. Res. 233, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote.

Pages H5099–H5102

**Preserving the Cultural Resources of Route 66:** The House passed H.R. 66, to preserve the cultural resources of the Route 66 corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance.

Pages H5125–29

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule.

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H. Res. 230, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

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**Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail:** The House passed H.R. 791, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the route of the War of 1812 British invasion of Maryland and Washington District of Columbia, and the route of the American defense, for study for potential addition to the national trails system. Pages H5129–32

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule.

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H. Res. 232, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

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**Redesignating World War II Veterans Park at Great Kills:** The House passed H.R. 592, to redesignate Great Kills Park in the Gateway National Recreation Area as "World War II Veterans Park at Great Kills". Agreed to amend the title.

Pages H5133–34

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule.

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H. Res. 231, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

Pages H5124–25

**Late Report:** Committee on Education and the Workforce received permission to have until 3:00 p.m. on July 9 to file a report on H.R. 1995, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to empower teachers, improve student achievement through high-quality professional development for teachers, and reauthorize the Reading Excellence Act.

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**Presidential Message—Generalized System of Preferences:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his determinations with respect to the addition of Gabon and Mongolia to the list of beneficiary developing countries and the suspension of preferential treatment for Mauritania as a beneficiary developing country—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–88).

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 7:40 p.m. and reconvened at 10:18 p.m.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea and nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5121–22 and H5122–23. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:19 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FEDERAL MILK MARKETING ORDERS; WATERSHED PLAN

*Committee on Agriculture:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 1402, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to implement the Class I milk price structure known as Option 1–A as part of the implementation of the final rule to consolidate Federal milk marketing orders.

The Committee also approved Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties Water Conservation Plan.

### KOSOVO AIR CAMPAIGN—B-2 BOMBER PERFORMANCE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on the performance of the B-2 Bomber in the Kosovo air campaign. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: Lt. Gen. Marvin R. Esmond, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Air and Space Operations; and Brig. Gen. Leroy Barnidge,

USAF, Commander, 509th Bomber Wing, White-man Air Force.

### UNNECESSARY BUSINESS SUBSIDIES

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on Unnecessary Business Subsidies. Testimony was heard from Representatives Miller of Florida, Sununu, Shadegg, Minge and Hoeffel; former Representative Robert Shamansky, State of Ohio; and public witnesses.

### CONSUMER AND INVESTOR ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 1858, Consumer and Investor Access to Information Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Annette L. Nazareth, Director, Division of Market Regulation, SEC; and public witnesses.

### CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING AUTHORIZATION ACT

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunication, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 2384, Corporation for Public Broadcasting Authorization Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### TEACHER EMPOWERMENT ACT

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 1995, Teacher Empowerment Act.

### TEAMSTER LOCAL 500 TRUSTEESHIP— LESSONS LEARNED

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Lessons Learned from the Teamster Local 500 Trusteeship. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### FEHBP DEMONSTRATION PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Implementing the FEHBP Demonstration Project for Military Retirees: A Good Faith Effort, or Another Broken Promise. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cunningham, Moran of Virginia and Romero-Barceló; William E. Flynn, III, Associate Director, Retirement and Insurance, OPM; and public witnesses.

### FEDERALISM ACT

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 2245, Federalism Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from L. Nye Stevens, Director, Federal Management and