

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 13 public bills, H.R. 2909–2921; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 187–188 and H. Res. 298, were introduced. **Pages H8555–56**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:  
Supplemental report on H.R. 2559, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to strengthen the safety net for agricultural producers by providing greater access to more affordable risk management tools and improved protection from production and income loss, to improve the efficiency and integrity of the Federal crop insurance program (H. Rept. 106–300 part 2); and

H. Res. 299, providing for the consideration of H.R. 2506, to amend title IX of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (H. Rept. 106–328). **Page H8555**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ewing to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8471**

**Consolidation of Milk Marketing Orders:** The House passed 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 by a recorded vote of 285 ayes to 140 noes, Roll No. 436. **Pages H8475–H8523**

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as amended and made in order by the rule. **Page H8523**

Agreed to:

The Stenholm amendment that establishes a temporary pilot program under which milk producers and cooperatives are authorized to voluntarily enter into forward price contracts with milk handlers. The pilot program does not apply to Class I milk.

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Rejected:

The Green amendment that sought to require a national referendum by dairy farmers on Department of Agriculture proposed milk marketing reforms (rejected by a recorded vote of 102 ayes to 323 noes, Roll No. 430); **Pages H8488–91, H8497–98**

The Dooley amendment to the Stenholm amendment that sought to extend the forward pricing contract pilot program to all classes of milk including fluid milk (rejected by a recorded vote of 155 ayes to 270 noes, Roll No. 431); **Pages H8496–98**

The Kind amendment that sought to establish a national pooling of receipts from Class I or fluid milk; **Pages H8502–04**

The Gutknecht amendment that sought to prohibit a cooperative marketing association from paying producers a price that is less than the federal milk marketing order blend minimum price (rejected by a recorded vote of 112 ayes to 313 noes, Roll No. 432); **Pages H8499–H8502, H8512–13**

The Ryan of Wisconsin amendment that sought to establish that the maximum Class I milk differential may not exceed \$2.27 per hundredweight (rejected by a recorded vote of 109 ayes to 318 noes, Roll No. 433); **Pages H8504–07, H8513–14**

The Manzullo amendment that sought to condition the implementation of the Act on the U.S. Trade Representative's certification that it presents no risk of interference with any international trade negotiation (rejected by a recorded vote of 113 ayes to 315 noes, Roll No. 434); and

**Pages H8507–12, H8514**

The Boehner amendment that sought to terminate all existing Federal milk marketing orders on January 1, 2001 (rejected by a recorded vote of 124 ayes to 302 noes, Roll No. 435). **Pages H8514–22**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross references, and to make other necessary technical and conforming corrections to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H8523**

H. Res. 294, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on September 21.

**Intelligence Authorization Conference:** The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1555, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees from the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Representatives Goss, Lewis of California, McCollum, Castle, Boehlert, Bass, Gibbons, LaHood, Wilson, Dixon, Pelosi, Bishop, Sisisky, Condit, Roemer, and Hastings of Florida. Appointed as conferees from the Committee on Armed Services for consideration of defense tactical intelligence and related activities: Representatives Spence, Stump, and Andrews.

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**Juvenile Justice Reform:** Representative Lofgren moved to instruct conferees on H.R. 1501, to provide grants to ensure increased accountability for juvenile offenders, to recommend a conference substitute that (1) includes a loophole-free system that assures that no criminals or other prohibited purchasers (e.g. murderers, rapists, child molesters, fugitives from justice, undocumented aliens, stalkers and batterers) obtain firearms from non-licensed persons and federally licensed firearms dealers at gun shows; (2) does not include provisions that weaken current gun safety law; and (3) includes provisions that aid in the enforcement of current laws against criminals who use guns (e.g. murderers, rapists, child molesters, fugitives from justice, stalkers and batterers). The ordered vote on the motion was postponed until Sept. 23. Pages H8524–31

**Historically Black Colleges and Universities:** The House agreed to H. Res. 293, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives in support of "National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week." Pages H8531–35

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate appears on page H8494.

**Amendments Ordered Printed:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H8557–58.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8497–98, H8498, H8512–13, H8513–14, H8514, H8522, and H8523. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:57 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **ATLANTIC FLEET TRAINING CENTER— READINESS IMPLICATIONS**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Readiness held a hearing on readiness implications concerning the Atlantic Fleet Training Center, Vieques, Puerto Rico. Testimony was heard from Resident Commissioner Romero-Barceló; the following officials of the Department of the Navy: Vice Adm. William J. Fallon, USN, Commander, 2nd Fleet; Lt. Gen. Peter Pace, USMC, Commander, U.S. Marine Forces, Atlantic; Rear Adm. John M. Johnson, USN, Commander, Carrier Group 6; Brig. Gen. Emo Gardner, USMC, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Aviation; and Rear Adm. Cutler Dawson, USN, former Commander, Cruiser Destroyer Group 12.

### **RUSSIAN MONEY LAUNDERING**

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Continued hearings on Russian Money Laundering. Testimony was heard from James Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

### **COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT IMPROVEMENTS**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials concluded hearings on legislation to Improve the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, focusing on the following bills: H.R. 1300, Recycle America's Land Act of 1999; and H.R. 2580, Land Recycling Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA: Tim Fields, Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response; and Steven Herman, Assistant Administrator, Enforcement and Compliance Assurance; and public witnesses.

### **ORGAN PROCUREMENT AND TRANSPLANTATION NETWORK AMENDMENTS**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on H.R. 2418, Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Amendments of 1999. Testimony was heard from William Raub, M.D., Deputy Assistant Secretary, Planning and Evaluation/Science Policy, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

### **PADUCAH GASEOUS DIFFUSION PLANT**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant: An Assessment of Worker Safety and Environmental Contamination. Testimony was heard from David Michaels, Assistant Secretary, Environment, Safety and Health, Department of Energy; Richard D. Green, Director, Region 4, Waste Management Division, EPA; Malcolm R. Knapp, Deputy Executive Director, Operations for Materials, Research, and State Programs, NRC; Robert Logan, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection, State of Kentucky; and public witnesses.

### **OVERSIGHT—2000 CENSUS**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on the Census held an oversight hearing of the 2000 Census: Discussion of the Effects of Including Puerto Rico in the 2000 U.S. Population Totals. Testimony was heard from Representatives Serrano, Romero-Barceló and Faleomavaega; and Kenneth Prewitt, Director, Bureau of the Census. Department of Commerce.