

Maryland, William K. Sessions, III, of Vermont, and John R. Steer, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission.

FDA MODERNIZATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded hearings on the implementation of the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act (P.L. 105-115), focusing on provisions on pharmaceuticals and medical devices, after receiving testimony from Jane E. Henney, Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Richard A. Galbraith, University of Vermont Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington; Janice Bourque, Massachusetts Biotechnology Council, Inc., Waltham; Myron Genel, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut, on behalf of the American Academy of Pediatrics; Amy S. Langer,

National Alliance of Breast Cancer Organizations, New York, New York; and Pamela G. Bailey, Health Industry Manufacturers Association, and Alan F. Holmer, Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, both of Washington, D.C.

UNITED STATES WORKFORCE NEEDS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration concluded hearings to examine workforce needs in the high technology industry and at smaller companies, focusing on the need for additional H-1B visas, after receiving testimony from Senators Gramm and Robb; Susan Williams DeFife, womenCONNECT.com, Fairfax, Virginia; Julie Holdren, Olympus Group, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; Robert D. Atkinson, Progressive Policy Institute, and William T. Archey, American Electronics Association, both of Washington, D.C.; and Roberta Katz, Technology Network, Palo Alto, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3120-3134; 1 private bill, H.R. 3135; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 203-204, and H. Res. 340, were introduced. Page H10724

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 339, providing for consideration of H.R. 2260, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to promote pain management and palliative care without permitting assisted suicide and euthanasia (H. Rept. 106-409); and

H.R. 2005, to establish a statute of repose for durable goods used in a trade or business, amended (H. Rept. 106-410, Pt. 1). Page H10723

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Thornberry to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H10615

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Timothy O'Brien, Ph.D. of Washington, D.C. Page H10615

Journal Vote: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, October 20, by a ye and nay vote of 352 yeas to 62 nays, Roll No. 520. Pages H10615, H10620-21

Appointment of Conferees—District of Columbia Appropriations: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Chairman Istook and Rep-

resentatives Cunningham, Tiahrt, Aderholt, Emerson, Sununu, Young of Florida, Moran of Virginia, Dixon, Mollohan, and Obey as conferees on H.R. 3064, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. Page H10621

The Students Results Act: The House passed H.R. 2, to send more dollars to the classroom and for certain other purposes by a recorded vote of 358 yeas to 67 noes, Roll No. 526. Pages H10621-56

Rejected the Hinojosa motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce with instructions to conduct hearings and promptly report to the House regarding the effectiveness of bilingual education and migrant education. Pages H10654-55

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. Page H10652

Agreed to:

The Schaffer amendment that permits children to transfer to another public school chosen by their parents when they are victims of violent crimes at school or otherwise attend unsafe schools; Pages H10635-36

The Andrews amendment, as amended, that permits schools to use Title I funding for prekindergarten programs. Earlier, agreed to the Goodling

amendment to the Andrews amendment that eliminates prerequisites for implementing the program;

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The Roemer amendment that increases Title I program funding by \$1.5 billion (agreed to by a recorded vote of 243 ayes to 181 noes, Roll No. 523); and

Pages H10636–40, H10650

The Ehlers amendment that includes mathematics and science in Title I standards and assessments (agreed to by a recorded vote of 360 ayes to 62 noes, Roll No. 525).

Pages H10647–49, H10651–52

Rejected:

The Armev amendment that sought to establish a five year pilot program to provide a \$3,500 scholarship for children, who are victims of violent crimes at school or who otherwise attend unsafe schools, to attend another school chosen by their parents (rejected by a recorded vote of 166 ayes to 257 noes, Roll No. 521);

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The Payne amendment that sought to strike title VIII that permits school-wide program funding for schools that serve at least 40 per cent of children from low-income families (rejected by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 215 noes, Roll No. 522);

Pages H10629–35, H10649–50

The Petri amendment that sought to establish a pilot program in ten states to convert Title I funds into a portable benefit to be used by the parents or legal guardians for their children's education (rejected by a recorded vote of 153 ayes to 271 noes, Roll No. 524).

Pages H10641–47, H10650–51

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

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H. Res. 336, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on October 20.

Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations: The House agreed to the Conference report on H.R. 2466, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 by a yeas and nays vote of 225 yeas to 200 nays, Roll No. 528.

Pages H10672–85

H. Res. 337, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 228 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 527.

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Academic Achievement for All Act: The House passed H.R. 2300, to allow a State to combine certain funds to improve the academic achievement of all its students, by a recorded vote of 213 ayes to 208 noes, Roll No. 532.

Pages H10689–H10715

Rejected with Clay motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce with instructions to report it back to the House in a manner that addresses the need to help communities to reduce class size, to modernize our Nation's crumbling and overcrowded public schools, and to ensure that teachers are highly qualified, by a recorded vote of 201 ayes to 217 noes, Roll No. 531.

Pages H10714–15

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

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Rejected the Fattah amendment that sought to require states to certify that either per pupil expenditures or achievement levels are substantially equal across the state by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 530.

Pages H10710–13

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

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H. Res. 338, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 214 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 529. Pursuant to the rule, the amendments in Part A of H. Rept. 106–408 that limits the program to no more than 10 states and changes the effective date to October 1, 2000.

Pages H10685–89

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of October 25.

Pages H10715–16

Meeting Hour—Monday, October 25: Agreed that when the House adjourn today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, October 25 for morning-hour debates.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the business under the Calendar Wednesday rule on Wednesday, October 27.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages H10615 and H10672.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yeas and nays votes and nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10620–21, H10628, H10649–50, H10650, H10650–51, H10651–52, H10655–56, H10671–72, H10685, H10689, H10713, H10714–15, and H10715. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

YOUTH ANTI-DRUG MEDIA CAMPAIGN

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on the Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign. Testimony was heard from Barry McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Susan David, National Institute of Drug Abuse, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

POSTURE, READINESS ISSUES, AND UNFUNDED REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on posture, readiness issues, and unfunded requirements. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff, Department of the Army; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations, Department of the Navy; Gen. Michael E. Ryan, USAF, Chief of Staff, Department of the Air Force; and Gen. James L. Jones, USMC, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps.

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: Testing for the Y2K Bug. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Thomas Shope, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Science and Technology, Center for Devices and Radiological Health; William Hubbard, Senior Associate Commissioner, Policy, Planning and Legislation, both with the FDA; and George Grob, Deputy Inspector General; Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Management Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

MSPA CLARIFICATION ACT; OPPORTUNITIES FOR MIGRANT EMPLOYEES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1886, MSPA Clarification Act of 1999; and H.R. 2757, Opportunities for Migrant Employees. Testimony was heard from Representatives Canady of Florida, Hastings of Washington and Radanovich; and public witnesses.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PARITY

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing on Substance Abuse Treatment Parity: A Viable Solution to the Nation's Epidemic of Ad-

diction? Testimony was heard from Senator Wellstone; Representative Ramstad; Capt. Ronald Smith, M.D., USN, Vice Chairman, Department of Psychiatry, National Naval Medical Center, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT—POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Postal Service approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2952, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Orchard Park Drive in Greenville, South Carolina, as the "Keith D. Oglesby Station"; and H.R. 3018, amended, to designate the United States Post Office located at 557 East Bay Street in Charleston, South Carolina, as the "Marybelle H. Howe Post Office".

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Postal Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Postal Service: Karla W. Corcoran, Inspector General; and William J. Henderson, Postmaster General and CEO; and Bernard L. Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Administration: Met and considered pending Committee business.

Y2K: A THREAT TO U.S. INTERESTS ABROAD?

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Y2K: A Threat to U.S. Interests Abroad? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Agency for International Development: Richard C. Nygard, Chief Information Officer; and Theodore Alves, Director, Assistant Inspector General, Audits; the following officials of the Department of State: John O'Keefe, Special Representative for the Year 2000; and Jacquelyn L. Williams-Bridgers, Inspector General; Lawrence K. Gershwin, National Intelligence Officer, Science and Technology, CIA; and Linda D. Koontz, Associate Director, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO.

PARTICIPATION AND REHABILITATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 906, Civic Participation and Rehabilitation Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representative Davis of Illinois; and public witnesses.

ANTITAMPERING ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on H.R.