

S. 1993, to reform Government information security by strengthening information security practices throughout the Federal Government, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1964 and H.R. 3189, bills to designate the United States Post Office located at 14071 Peyton Drive in Chino Hills, California, as the Joseph Ileo Post Office; and

H.R. 1374, to designate the United States Post Office building located at 680 State Highway 130 in Hamilton, New Jersey, as the “John K. Rafferty Hamilton Post Office Building”.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 1658, to provide a more just and uniform procedure for Federal civil forfeitures, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nomination of Nicholas P. Godici, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Department of Commerce;

Also, Committee approved resolution of issuance of subpoenas to a former and current Department of Justice employee pursuant to Rule 26.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Richard C. Tallman, of Washington, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, John Antoon II, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, and Marianne O. Battani and David M. Lawson, each to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Tallman was introduced by Senators Gorton and

Murray, Mr. Antoon was introduced by Senator Graham, and Ms. Battani and Mr. Lawson were introduced by Senators Abraham and Levin.

#### HEALTH CARE FOR THE UNINSURED

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Public Health concluded hearings to examine the access of essential health care services for the uninsured and medically underserved individuals, focusing on certain safety net programs to reduce the barriers and increase health insurance access to the uninsured, and the proposed Community Access to Health Care Act, after receiving testimony from Charles Earl Fox, Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Janet Heinrich, Associate Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Thomas M. Dean, Horizon Health Care, Wessington Springs, South Dakota, on behalf of the National Rural Health Association; Bernard Simmons, Southwest Health Agency for Rural People, Tylertown, Mississippi, on behalf of the National Association of Community Health Centers; Mary Bufwack, United Neighborhood Health Services, Inc., Nashville, Tennessee; Robert L. Taube, Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the National Health Care for the Homeless Council; and Larry S. Gage, National Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems, Washington, D.C.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 26 public bills, H.R. 4067–4092; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 293 and H. Res. 447–449, were introduced. **Pages H1404–06**

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

H.R. 1605, to designate the United States courthouse building located at 402 North Walnut Street and Prospect Avenue in Harrison, Arkansas, as the “Judge J. Smith Henley Federal Building”, amended (H. Rept. 106–536);

H.R. 938, to designate the Federal building located at 290 Broadway in New York, New York, as

the “Ronald H. Brown Federal Building” (H. Rept. 106–537);

H.R. 1279, to designate the Federal building and United States post office located at 223 Sharkey Street in Clarksdale, Mississippi, as the “Aaron E. Henry Federal Building and United States Post Office”, amended (H. Rept. 106–538);

H. Con. Res. 277, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby (H. Rept. 106–539);

H.R. 2412, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 1300 South Harrison Street in Fort Wayne, Indiana, as the “E. Ross

Adair Federal Building and United States Court-house” (H. Rept. 106–540);

H. Con. Res. 278, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 19th annual National Peace Officers’ Memorial Service (H. Rept. 106–541);

H. Con. Res. 279, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 200th birthday celebration of the Library of Congress (H. Rept. 106–542);

H. Con. Res. 280, authorizing the 2000 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds (H. Rept. 106–543);

H. Con. Res. 281, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (H. Rept. 106–544); and

H.R. 910, to authorize the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers and in coordination with other Federal agency heads, to participate in the funding and implementation of a balanced, long-term solution to the problems of groundwater contamination, water supply, and reliability affecting the San Gabriel groundwater basin in California, amended (H. Rept. 106–545).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1287**

**Journal:** Agreed to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal of Wednesday, March 22, by a yea and nay vote of 345 yeas to 58 nays, Roll No. 66.

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**Personal Privilege:** The Speaker rose to a point of personal privilege and was recognized for one hour.

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**Chaplain of the House of Representatives:** Read a letter from Dr. James D. Ford, Chaplain Emeritus, of the House of Representatives wherein he announced his resignation as Chaplain of the House of Representatives, effective, Thursday, March 23, 2000. Subsequently, the Speaker appointed and then administered the oath of office to Father Daniel Coughlin of Illinois as Chaplain of the House.

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**Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year 2001:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 290, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2005 by a yea and nay vote of 211 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 75.

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Agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in Part A of H. Rept. 106–535 made in order by the rule.

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Rejected the Owens amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to target investments for education and safety net programs for working class families by a recorded vote of 70 yeas to 348 noes, Roll No. 70;

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Rejected the DeFazio amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to reserve surpluses for debt reduction, a prescription drug benefit, education and social services programs, and specified tax credits by a recorded vote of 61 yeas to 351 noes, Roll No. 71;

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Rejected the Stenholm amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified, that sought to eliminate public debt by 2012, establish a medicare reserve fund for reform, prescription drug benefit, and provider relief, and allocate baseline funding for agriculture initiatives by a recorded vote of 171 yeas to 243 noes, with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 72;

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Rejected the Sununu amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to provide tax relief, medicare reform including prescription drug coverage, social security reform, and defense funding increase by a recorded vote of 78 yeas to 339 noes, Roll No. 73; and

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Rejected the Spratt amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to repay the public debt by 2013, provide targeted tax cuts to working families, and retain 100 percent of the social security surplus by a recorded vote of 184 yeas to 233 noes, Roll No. 74.

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Agreed to the Saxton motion that the Committee rise by a recorded vote of 245 yeas to 165 noes, Roll No. 69.

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Agreed to H. Res. 446, the rule that provided for consideration of the concurrent resolution by a yea and nay vote of 228 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 68. Earlier agreed to order the previous question and make a technical amendment to the rule by a yea and nay vote of 220 yeas to 203 nays, Roll No. 67.

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**Late Report:** The committee on Ways and Means received permission to have until midnight on Friday, March 24 to file a report on H.R. 7. **Page H1402**

**Meeting Hour Monday, March 27:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 27. **Page H1402**

**Meeting Hour Tuesday, March 28:** Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28 for morning-hour debates. **Page H1402**

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of March 29.

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**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1287.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea and nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1290–91, H1299–H1300, H1300–01, H1325–26, H1354–55, H1363, H1374, H1386, H1400, and H1401–02. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:21 a.m. on Friday, March 24.

## Committee Meetings

### FREEDOM TO E-FILE ACT

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 852, Freedom to E-File Act.

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on Drug Enforcement. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Donnie Marshall, Administrator, DEA; James K. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; and Mary H. Murguia, Director, Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

### DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Army budget overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense, Department of the Army: Louis Caldera, Secretary; and Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on Army acquisitions. Testimony was heard from Paul J. Hoeper, Assistant Secretary, Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology, Department of the Army, Department of Defense.

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Corrections and Related Activities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the government of the District of Columbia: John L. Clark, Corrections Trustee; John A. Carver, Trustee, Court Services and Of-

fender Supervision; and Cynthia Jones, Director, Public Defender Service.

### ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development met in executive session to hold a hearing on Department of Energy—Atomic Energy Defense Activities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Gen. Eugene E. Habiger, USAF, Director, Security and Emergency Operations; and Brig. Gen. Thomas F. Gioconda, USAF, Acting Deputy Administrator, Defense Programs; and Rose Gottemoeller, Deputy Administrator, Defense Nuclear Non-proliferation, both with the National Nuclear Security Administration.

### INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the National Endowment for the Humanities and on National Endowment for the Arts. Testimony was heard from William Ferris, Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities; and Bill Ivey, Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts.

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Employment and Training Administration/Veterans Employment; Employment Standards Administration; Occupational Safety and Health Administration; and Mine Safety and Health Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Raymond L. Bramucci, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration; Bernard Anderson, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration; Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary, OSHA; and Davitt McAteer, Assistant Secretary, Mine Safety and Health.

### TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on Office of National Drug Control Policy and on the Executive Office of the President. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Executive Office of the President: Barry McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and Michael Lyle, Director, Office of Administration.