

period from March 1, 2001 through September 30, 2001, \$7,507,831 for operating expenses for the period from October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002, and \$3,212,052 for operating expenses for the period from October 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 107th Congress.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill, to extend programs and activities under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee approved for reporting an original resolution (S. Res.52) requesting \$ 1,022,752 for operating expenses for the period from March 1, 2001 through September 30, 2001, \$1,814,368 for operating expenses for the period from October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002, and \$776,028 for operating expenses for the period from October 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 107th Congress.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 37 public bills, H.R. 936–972; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 57–59, and H. Res. 85–86 were introduced. **Pages H825–27**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, March 7 by a yea and nay vote of 230 yeas to 180 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 34. **Pages H743, H745**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Hill motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 174 yeas to 241 noes, Roll No. 35. **Pages H745–46**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Sandlin motion to adjourn by a yea and nay vote of 171 yeas to 251 noes, Roll No. 36. **Page H755**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Hill motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 160 yeas to 253 noes, Roll No. 41. **Pages H760–61**

Economic Growth and Tax Relief: The House passed H.R. 3, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce individual income tax rates by a yea and nay vote of 230 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 45. **Pages H761–H809**

By a recorded vote of 204 yeas to 221 noes, Roll No. 44, the House rejected the Stenholm motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions not to report the bill back before April 15, 2001 (the date set forth in section 300 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1972 as the date that Congress completes action on the concurrent resolution on the budget) unless Congress has completed action on the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002 before that date.

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Pursuant to the rule, the Committee on Ways and Means amendment, now printed in the bill (H. Rept. 107–7), was considered as adopted.

Rejected the Rangel amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to create a new 12 percent tax rate, phased in through 2003, for the first \$20,000 of taxable income; increase the earned income tax credit; create a standard deduction for married couples equal to twice the standard available to single individuals; and provide marriage penalty relief in the earned income credit and the rate reductions by a yea and nay vote of 155 yeas to 273 nays, Roll No. 42. Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote on the Rangel amendment by a yea and nay vote of 228 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 43.

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The House agreed to H. Res. 83, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a recorded vote of 220 yeas to 204 noes, Roll No. 39. Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 221 yeas to 197 noes, Roll No. 40.

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Earlier agreed to order the previous question on the rule by a recorded vote of 220 yeas to 204 noes, Roll No. 37. Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 217 yeas to 205 noes, Roll No. 38.

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Legislative Program: Representative Portman discussed the legislative program for the week of March 12.

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Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: The House agreed to H. Res. 85, providing that on the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Representative Pombo shall rank immediately after Representative Moran of Kansas.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, March 12: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, March 12 at 2 p.m.

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Meeting Hour—Tuesday, March 13: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, March 12, it

adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13 for morning hour debate. **Page H810**

Calendar Wednesday—Wednesday, March 14: Agreed to dispense with the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule on Wednesday March 14. **Page H810**

James Madison Commemoration Commission: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Goodlatte and Cantor to the James Madison Commemoration Commission. **Page H810**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea and nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H745, H746, H755, H758, H759, H759–60, H760, H761, H805–06, H806–07, H808, and H808–09. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM COMMODITY PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings to review the federal farm commodity programs with the barley growers. Testimony was heard from Daniel Wiltse, President, National Barley Growers Association.

Hearings continue March 14.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies held a hearing on the FDA. Testimony was heard from Bernard A. Schwetz, Acting Principal Deputy Commissioner, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces, Korea. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Adm. Dennis C. Blair, USN, U.S. Pacific Command, and Gen. Tommy A. Swartz, USA, U.S. Forces, Korea.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on U.S. Central Command. Testimony was heard from Gen. Tommy R. Franks, USA, U.S. Central Command, Department of Defense.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on National Parks Services (Natural Resources Initiative). Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Denis P. Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service; Michael A. Soukup, Associate Director, Natural Resource Stewardship and Science; and Don L. Neubacher, Supt., Point Reyes National Seashore.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Quality of Life in the Military. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sgt. Maj. Jack L. Tilley, USA; Master Chief Petty Officer James L. Herdt, USN; Sgt. Maj. Alford L. McMichael, USMC; and Chief Master Sgt. Frederick J. Finch, USAF.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on Inspector General, Department of Transportation. Testimony was heard from Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, Department of Transportation.

MEMBERS DAY

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Members Day. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gekas, Goodlatte, Allen, Underwood, Hoyer, Castle, Baird, Clement, Gonzalez, DeLauro, Pascrell, McGovern, Pelosi, Weldon of Pennsylvania and Meeks of New York.

PERSPECTIVES ON THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Perspectives on the Economic Outlook. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RAISING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Education Reform held a hearing on "Measuring Success: Using Assessments and Accountability to Raise Student Achievement." Testimony was heard from Reid Lyon, Chief, Child Development and Behavior Branch, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; Mark Musick, Chairman, National Assessment Governing Board; and public witnesses.

EU DATA PROTECTION DIRECTION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled: "The EU Data Protection Directive: Implications for the U.S. Privacy Debate." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TECHNOLOGY AND EDUCATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing entitled "Technology and Education: A Review of Federal, State and Private Sector Programs." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES

Committee on Financial Services: Approved Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2002 for submission to the Committee on the Budget.