

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Archbishop Michael J. Champion, Coadjutor to the Primate and Archbishop of Cleveland Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church in the United States. **Page H1735**

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, May 1 by a recorded vote of 377 ayes to 47 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 93. **Pages H1735, H1747-48**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:07 a.m. and reconvened at 10:46 p.m. **Pages H1735, H1744**

The United States Association of Former Members of Congress: Agreed that the proceedings of the United States Association of Former Members of Congress had during the recess be printed in the Congressional Record and that all Members and former Members who spoke during the recess have the privilege of revising and extending their remarks. **Page H1744**

Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform: The House passed H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform by a yea-and-nay vote of 407 yeas to 24 nays, Roll No. 96. **Pages H1748-H1827**

Rejected the Sanders motion to recommit the bill to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and Ways and Means with instructions to report it back with an amendment that sought to allow employees to choose between defined benefit and cash balance pension plans by a yea-and-nay vote of 153 yeas to 276 nays, Roll No. 95. **Pages H1822-26**

Pursuant to the rule the Thomas amendment in the nature of a substitute numbered 1 and printed in the Congressional Record of May 1 was considered as adopted. **Page H1764**

Rejected the Neal amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to provide refundable tax credits to low and middle-income workers and make small employers eligible for certain tax credits by a yea-and-nay vote of 207 yeas to 223 nays, Roll No. 94. **Pages H1795-H1822**

H. Res. 127, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 404 yeas to 24 nays, Roll No. 92. **Pages H1745-47**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 129 electing Representative George Miller of California to the Committee on Resources and Representative Honda of California to the Committee on Science. **Page H1827**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the District of Columbia Courts Budget Submission for fiscal year 2002—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 107-63). **Page H1827**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1747, H1747-48, H1822, H1826, and H1827. There were no quorum calls.

Recess: House recessed at 8:25 p.m. subject to the call of the Chair. **Page H1855**

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and recessed at 11:39 p.m..

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM COMMODITY PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on Federal Farm Commodity Programs, with the fruit, vegetable, and honey industries. Testimony was heard from L. John Milam, Chairman, Sioux Honey Association; and Tom Stenzel, President and CEO, United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ENERGY SUPPLY AFFECTING AGRICULTURAL SECTOR

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research held a hearing to review energy supply and demand issues affecting the agricultural sector of the U.S. economy. Testimony was heard from Keith Collins, Chief Economist, USDA; Mark Rodekoher, Director, Energy Markets and Contingency Information Division, Office of Energy Markets and End Use, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FDA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Food and Nutrition Service. Testimony was heard from George Braley, Acting Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on

the Attorney General. Testimony was heard from John D. Ashcroft, Attorney General.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on the Secretary of Energy. Testimony was heard from Spencer Abrahams, Secretary of Energy.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriations hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education held a hearing on the Secretary of Health and Human Services. Testimony was heard from Tommy G. Thompson, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the U.S. Coast Guard. Testimony was heard from Adm. James M. Loy, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government held a hearing on the Secret Service. Testimony was heard from Brian Stafford, Director, U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury.

VA, HUD APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Council on Environmental Quality, and the Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. Testimony was heard from Dinah Bear, General Counsel, Council on Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Quality; the following officials of the Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims: Judge Kenneth Kramer, Chief Justice; and David Isbell, Pro Bono Program.

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Began markup of H.R. 1, No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Will continue tomorrow.

BANKS—REAL ESTATE SERVICES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a

hearing on a proposal to permit certain entities to offer real estate brokerage and real estate management services. Testimony was heard from Laurence J. Meyer, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Donald J. Hammond, Acting Under Secretary, Domestic Finance, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing on reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Export-Import Bank: James Hess, Chief Financial Officer; William Redway, Group Vice President, Small and New Business; and Bert Ubamadu, Office of the General Counsel; and public witnesses.

FOREIGN RELATIONS AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 1646, Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 2002 and 2003.

OVERSIGHT—COPYRIGHT OFFICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Copyright Office. Testimony was heard from Marybeth Peters, Register of Copyrights, Office of the United States, Library of Congress.

IMPROVING MATH AND SCIENCE EDUCATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Research held a hearing on Improving Math and Science Education so that No Child is Left Behind. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NASA POSTURE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on NASA Posture. Testimony was heard from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA.

PENTAGON PROCUREMENT POLICIES—ARMY BERETS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the short-term and long-term implications of the procurement policies of the Pentagon that favored China, and other foreign countries, as the suppliers of berets for the Army rather than this Nation's small business. Testimony was heard from Representatives Capps and Jones of North Carolina; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff, U.S.

Army; Lt. Gen. Henry T. Gisson, USA, Director, Defense Logistics Agency, and David R. Oliver, Acting Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics; David Cooper, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO; John D. Whitmore, Jr., Acting Administrator, SBA; and public witnesses.

CORPS OF ENGINEERS' BUDGET; EPA'S BUDGET

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on the following: Army Corps of Engineers' budget and priorities for fiscal year 2001; and on EPA's Budget and Priorities for fiscal year 2002. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Claudia Tornblom, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Management and Budget), Office of the Assistant Secretary (Civil Works); and Lt. Gen. Robert B. Flowers, Chief of Engineers, Corps of Engineers; and Christine Todd Whitman, Administrator, EPA.

BRIEFING—NATO INTELLIGENCE SHARING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on International Policy and National Security met in executive session to receive a briefing on NATO Intelligence Sharing. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

UKRAINE DEMOCRACY

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission concluded hearings to examine the current status of human rights and democracy in Ukraine and the role of the United States in assisting Ukraine's development as an independent, market-oriented democracy in the face of the current political crisis, after receiving testimony from Jon Purnell, Deputy to the Acting Special Advisor to the Secretary of State for the New Independent States; Yevhen Marchuk, Ukraine National Security and Defense Council, Kiev, former Prime Minister of Ukraine; Adrian Karatnyky, Freedom House, New York, New York; and Ariel Cohen, Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine new prescribing technologies for prescription drugs, 2:30 p.m., SD-608.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine the employment needs of Amish youth, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Treasury and General Government, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimate for fiscal year 2002 for the Office of National Drug Control Policy, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Agriculture, focusing on assistance to producers and the farm economy, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold joint oversight hearings on the state of the nuclear power industry and the future of the industry in a comprehensive energy strategy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the lessons learned from the attack on U.S.S. *Cole*, on the report of the Crouch/Gehman Commission and on the Navy's Judge Advocate General Manual Investigation into the attack, including a review of appropriate standards of accountability for United States military services, to be followed by closed hearings (in Room SR-222), 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to mark up S. 127, to give American companies, American workers, and American ports the opportunity to compete in the United States cruise market; S. 718, to direct the National Institute of Standards and Technology to establish a program to support research and training in methods of detecting the use of performance-enhancing drugs by athletes; H.R. 1098, to improve the recording and discharging of maritime liens and expand the American Merchant Marine Memorial Wall of Honor; the nomination of Michael P. Jackson, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Transportation; the nomination of Brenda L. Becker, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce; the nomination of Theodore William Kassinger, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce; and nominations for promotion in the United States Coast Guard, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: with the Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold joint oversight hearings on the state of the nuclear power industry and the future of the industry in a comprehensive energy strategy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to review the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's order addressing wholesale electricity prices in California and the Western United States, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold oversight hearings to examine federal election practices and procedures, 10 a.m., SD-342.