

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 3476–3503; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 288–289, were introduced. **Pages H10065–66**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3084, to revise the discretionary spending limits for fiscal year 2002 set forth in the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 and to make conforming changes respecting the appropriate section 302(a) allocation for fiscal year 2002 established pursuant to the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002 (H. Rept. 107–338). **Page H10065**

Making Further Continuing Appropriations Through December 21: The House passed H.J. Res. 78, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2002. The joint resolution was considered pursuant to the order of the House of Wednesday, Dec. 12. **Pages H10061–64**

Department of Defense Authorization Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on S. 1438, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces by a yeas-and-nays vote of 382 yeas to 40 nays, Roll No. 495. **Pages H10073–80**

Earlier the House agreed to H. Res. 316, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report by voice vote. **Pages H10069–73**

Technical Correction in Enrollment of DOD Authorization Act: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 288, directing the Secretary of the Senate to make a technical correction in the enrollment of S. 1438, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002. **Pages H10080–82**

No Child Left Behind Act: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1, to close the achievement gap with accountability, flexibility, and choice, so that no child is left behind by a recorded vote of 381 yeas to 41 nays, Roll No. 497. **Pages H10092–H10113**

Earlier the House agreed to H. Res. 315, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report by voice vote. **Pages H10082–92**

Technical Correction in Enrollment of No Child Left Behind Act: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 289, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of H.R. 1, No Child Left Behind Act. **Pages H10113–14**

Consideration of Suspensions on Dec. 19, 2001: The House agreed to H. Res. 314, the rule providing for the consideration of motions to suspend the rules on Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2001 by a recorded vote of 306 yeas to 100 nays, Roll No. 498. **Pages H10082, H10113**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of Dec. 17. **Page H10114**

Meeting Hour—Monday, Dec. 17: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 17 in pro forma session. **Page H10114**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, Dec. 18: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 18 for morning hour debate. **Page H10114-15**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, Dec. 19. **Pages H10115**

Victims of Terrorism Relief Act: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2884, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for victims of the terrorist attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001, with an amendment. The motion to concur in the Senate amendments with an amendment was considered pursuant to an earlier unanimous consent order (the Senate amended the title so as to read: An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for victims of the terrorist attacks against the United States). **Pages H10115–41**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H10080.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10079–80, H10112, and H10113. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ELECTRIC SUPPLY AND TRANSMISSION ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality concluded hearings on H.R. 3406, Electric Supply and Transmission Act of 2001. Testimony was heard from Isaac Hunt, Commissioner, SEC; and public witnesses.

FBI'S HANDLING OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS IN BOSTON

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing on "The FBI's Handling of Confidential Informants in Boston: Will the Justice Department Comply with Congressional Subpoenas?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Michael Horowitz, Chief of Staff, Criminal Division; and Edward Whelan, Principal Deputy, Assistant Attorney General.

DIGITAL MILLENNIUM COPYRIGHT ACT SECTION 104 REPORT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property concluded oversight hearings on "The Digital Millennium Copyright Act Section 104 Report." Testimony was heard from Marybeth Peters, Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2109, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Virginia Key Beach, Florida, for possible inclusion in the National Park System; H.R. 2748, National War Permanent Tribute Historical Database Act; H.R. 3421, Yosemite National Park Educational Facilities Improvement Act; and H.R. 3425, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of establishing Highway 49 in California, known as the "Golden Chain Highway," as a National Heritage Corridor. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dreier, Meek of Florida and Hastings of Florida; Vincent L. Barile, Deputy Under Secretary, Management, National Cemetery Administration, Central Office, Department of Veterans Affairs; David Mihalic, Superintendent, Yosemite National Park, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

GENERAL AVIATION INDUSTRY REPARATIONS ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 3347, General Aviation Industry Reparations Act of 2001.

NATIONAL CEMETERY ELIGIBILITY

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3423, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility of certain veterans and their dependents for burial in Arlington National Cemetery.

Prior to this action, the Committee held a hearing on this legislation. Testimony was heard from John C. Metzler, Superintendent, Arlington National Cemetery, Department of the Army; and representatives of various veterans organizations.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Finance: to continue markup of H.R. 3005, to extend trade authorities procedures with respect to reciprocal trade agreements; and to consider the nomination of Richard Clarida, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary for Economic Policy, the nomination of Kenneth Lawson, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary for Enforcement, and the nomination of B. John Williams, Jr., of Virginia, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and Assistant General Counsel, all of the Department of the Treasury; the nomination of Janet Hale, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Management and Budget, and the nomination of Joan E. Ohl, of West Virginia, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; and the nomination of James B. Lockhart III, of Connecticut, to be Deputy Commissioner of Social Security, and the nomination of Harold Daub, of Nebraska, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board, both of the Social Security Administration, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

House

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Technology and Procurement Policy, hearing on Battling Bio-terrorism: Why Timely Information-Sharing Between Local, State and Federal Governments is the Key to Protecting Public Health, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, of December 7, 2001, p. D1226)

S. 1459, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 550 West Fort Street in Boise, Idaho, as the "James A. McClure Federal Building and United States Courthouse". Signed on December 12, 2001. (Public Law 107-80)

S. 1573, to authorize the provision of educational and health care assistance to the women and children of Afghanistan. Signed on December 12, 2001. (Public Law 107-81)