

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Measures Introduced:** 27 public bills, H.R. 4589–4615; 1 private bill, H.R. 4616; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 90, H. Con. Res. 386–388, and H. Res. 397–400 were introduced. **Pages H1672–74**

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

H.R. 3994, to authorize economic and democratic development assistance for Afghanistan and to authorize military assistance for Afghanistan and certain other foreign countries, amended (H. Rept. 107–420). **Page H1672**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative LaTourette to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1621**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Dr. Paul Dixon, President, Cedarville University of Cedarville, Ohio. **Page H1621**

**Journal:** Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, April 24, by a recorded vote of 372 ayes to 47 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 113. **Page H1632**

**Barbara Jordan Immigration Reform and Accountability Act:** The House passed H.R. 3231, to replace the Immigration and Naturalization Service with the Agency for Immigration Affairs by a recorded vote of 405 ayes to 9 noes, Roll No. 116. **Pages H1632–66**

The title was amended so as to read: "A bill to replace the Immigration and Naturalization Service with the Office of the Associate Attorney General for Immigration Affairs, the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Service, and the Bureau of Immigration Enforcement, and for other purposes." **Page H1666**

Agreed to the Committee on the Judiciary amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill, H. Rept. 107–413, and made in order by the rule. **Page H1666**

Agreed To:

Sensenbrenner amendment No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 107–419 that authorizes additional personnel flexibility including a managerial rotation program, employee voluntary separation incentive payments or buy-outs, and a demonstration project relating to employee disciplinary actions; **Pages H1650–51**

Baldwin amendment No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 107–419 that requires a study by the Office of Children's Affairs on independent legal counsel for unaccompanied alien children; **Pages H1651–53**

Jackson-Lee amendment No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 107–419 that requires a GAO report on the fee structure of the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services and its sufficiency to carry out its functions in the absence of appropriated funds; **Pages H1653–54**

Roybal-Allard amendment No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 107–419 that requires the Office of Immigration Statistics to maintain region-by-region statistics on denials of applications and petitions and the reasons for such denials; and **Pages H1654–55**

Velazquez amendment No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 107–419 that authorizes the Director of the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services to conduct innovative pilot initiatives to eliminate any remaining backlog in the processing of immigration benefit applications and to prevent any backlog from recurring. **Pages H1655–56**

Rejected:

Issa amendment No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 107–419 that sought to place the civil service positions in the Office of the Associate Attorney General for Immigration Affairs, Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, and the Bureau of Immigration Enforcement in the excepted service as defined by section 2103 of title 5, United States Code and eliminate restrictions on certain disciplinary and other adverse actions taken against employees (rejected by a recorded vote of 145 ayes to 272 noes, Roll No. 114); and **Pages H1656–65**

Lofgren amendment No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 107–419 that sought to authorize expedited procedures for procurement of information technology (rejected by a recorded vote of 105 ayes to 312 noes, Roll No. 115). **Pages H1661–66**

H. Res. 396, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 388 ayes to 34 noes, Roll No. 112. Agreed to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 384 yeas to 36 nays, Roll No. 111. **Pages H1625–32**

**Legislative Program:** Representative Portman announced the Legislative Program for the week of April 29. **Page H1667**

**Consideration of Suspension on May 1:** Agreed that it be in order at any time on Wednesday, May 1 for the Speaker to entertain a motion that the House suspend the rules relating to H.R. 2604, replenishment of Asian Development Fund and International Fund for Agricultural Development resources and additional policies towards the African Development Bank, the African Development Fund, the Asian Development Bank, the Inter-American

Development Bank, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. **Page H1667**

**Meeting Hour — Monday, April 29:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 29. **Page H1667**

**Meeting Hour — Tuesday, April 30:** Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, April 29, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30 for morning hour debate. **Page H1667**

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, May 1. **Page H1667**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H1621.

**Referral:** S. 2248 was held at the desk. **Page H1621**

**Quorum Calls — Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1630–31, H1631–32, H1632, H1664–65, H1665–66, and H1666. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on National Foreign Intelligence Program. Testimony was heard from Jane Dempsey, Deputy Director, CIA; and George Tenet, former Director, CIA.

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on District of Columbia held a hearing on D.C. Public Schools and D.C. Charter Schools. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Peggy Cooper Cafritz, President, Board of Education; Paul Vance, Superintendent, Public Schools; Josephine Baker, Chair, Public Charter School Board; and Laurent Ross, Director, Tuition Assistance Grant Program; Col. Charles J. Fiala, Jr., USA, Commander and District Engineer, Baltimore District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; David E. Cooper, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management Team, GAO; and public witnesses.

### LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Department of Education Panel: Transition into the Workforce. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Edu-

cation: Susan B. Neuman, Assistant Secretary, Elementary and Secondary Education; Robert H. Pasternack, Assistant Secretary, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Carol D'Amico, Assistant Secretary, Vocational and Adult Education; Sally Stroup, Assistant Secretary, Postsecondary Education; Grover J. Whitehurst, Assistant Secretary, Educational Research and Improvement; and Thomas P. Skelly, Director, Budget Service.

### LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative held a hearing on Architect of the Capitol, and on CBO. Testimony was heard from Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; and Dan L. Crippen, Director, CBO.

### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities approved for full Committee action H.R. 4546, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003.

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*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Personnel approved for full Committee action H.R. 4546, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003.

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*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Readiness approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4546, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003.

### RESTORING BUDGET DISCIPLINE

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on the Predictability and Control Twin Reasons for Restoring Budget Disciplines. Testimony was heard from Susan J. Irving, Director, Federal Budget Analysis, GAO; Barry B. Anderson, Deputy Director, CBO; former Representative William Frenzel of Minnesota; and public witnesses.

### CITIZEN SERVICE IN THE 21ST CENTURY

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Select Education held a hearing on Citizen Service in the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from Representatives Shays, Ford and Osborne; and public witnesses.

### REDUCE ERGONOMIC INJURIES — OSHA'S PLAN

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing