

Tribe of Indians of California, Eureka, both on behalf of the Tribal Leader/Department of the Interior Trust Reform Task Force.

Hearings will continue on Tuesday, July 30.

HOMELAND SECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the President's proposal for reorganizing our homeland defense infrastructure and establishing a Department of Homeland Security, receiving testimony from Tom Ridge, Director of the Transition Planning Office for the Department of Homeland Security.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

IMMIGRATION REFORM AND HOMELAND DEFENSE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration held hearings to examine immigration reform and the reorganization of homeland defense, focusing on the inclusion of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in the new Department of Home-

land Security, and the impact this would have on immigration law and policy, and the adjudication of immigration services and benefits, receiving testimony from Kathleen Campbell Walker, El Paso, Texas, on behalf of the American Immigration Lawyers Association; Bill Ong Hing, University of California School of Law, Davis, on behalf of the National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium; David A. Martin, University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville, former General Counsel, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and Judge Dana Marks Keener, San Francisco, California, on behalf of the National Association of Immigration Judges.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters, made no announcements, and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 5017–5030; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 102; H. Con. Res. 427–431, and H. Res. 459, 460, 466 were introduced. **Pages H4068–69**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 461, providing for consideration of H.R. 5010, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003 (H. Rept. 107–536);

H. Res. 462, providing for consideration of H.R. 5011, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003 (H. Rept. 107–537); and

H. Res. 463, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 107–538);

H.R. 4954, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a voluntary program for prescription drug coverage under the Medicare Program, to modernize and reform payments and the regulatory structure of the Medicare Program, amended (H. Rept. 107–539 Pt. 1);

H.R. 4962, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make rural health care improvements under the Medicare Program (H. Rept. 107–540 Pt. 1);

H.R. 4987, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve payments for home health

services and for direct graduate medical education (H. Rept. 107–541 Pt. 1);

H.R. 4988, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish the Medicare Benefits Administration within the Department of Health and Human Services (H. Rept. 107–542 Pt. 1);

H.R. 4013, to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish an Office of Rare Diseases at the National Institutes of Health (H. Rept. 107–543);

H.R. 4961, to establish a National Bipartisan Commission on the Future of Medicaid (H. Rept. 107–544);

H.R. 4989, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for grants to health care providers to implement electronic prescription drug programs (H. Rept. 107–545);

H.R. 4990, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to establish requirements with respect to the sale of, or the offer to sell, prescription drugs through the Internet (H. Rept. 107–546);

H.R. 4991, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to revise disproportionate share hospital payments under the Medicaid Program (H. Rept. 107–547);

H.R. 4992, to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish health professions programs regarding practice of pharmacy (H. Rept. 107–548);

H.R. 4986, to amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve payments for physicians' services and other outpatient services furnished

under the Medicare Program (H. Rept. 107–549 Pt. 1);

H.R. 4985, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to revitalize the Medicare+Choice Program, establish a Medicare+Choice competition program, and to improve payments to hospitals and other providers under part A of the Medicare Program (H. Rept. 107–550 Pt. 1); and

H.R. 4984, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a Medicare prescription drug benefit (H. Rept. 107–551 Pt. 1).

H. Res. 464, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee of Rules (H. Rept. 107–552); and

H. Res. 465, providing for consideration of H.R. 4954, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a voluntary program for prescription drug coverage under the Medicare Program and to modernize and reform payments and the regulatory structure of the Medicare Program (H. Rept. 107–553).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Johnson of Illinois to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. David E. Paul, Pastor, First United Methodist Church of Clewiston, Florida.

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Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, June 25 by a recorded vote of 369 yeas to 41 nays with 1 voting "present," Roll No. 261.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:42 a.m. and reconvened at 10:56 a.m.

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Homeland Security Information Sharing Act: The House passed H.R. 4598, to provide for the sharing of homeland security information by Federal intelligence and law enforcement agencies with State and local entities by a yeas-and-nays vote of 422 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 258.

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Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill (H. Rept. 107–534, Part 1) and made in order by the rule.

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Withdrawn:

Jackson-Lee amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to require the President to prescribe procedures which determine whether, how, and to what extent information provided by whistleblowers should be disseminated.

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Agreed to H. Res. 458, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:14 p.m. and reconvened at 2:19 p.m.

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Motions to Adjourn: Rejected the Hastings of Florida motions to adjourn by a yeas-and-nays vote of 45 yeas to 378 nays, Roll No. 262 and a yeas-and-nays vote of 40 yeas to 384 nays, Roll No. 263.

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Trade Act of 2002: The House agreed to H. Res. 450, the rule relating to consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 3009, to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act and to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 216 yeas to 215 nays with 1 voting "present," Roll No. 264.

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Pursuant to the rule, the House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3009, to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act and to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, with an amendment. The House then insisted on its amendment and asked for a conference with the Senate thereon. Appointed as conferees: From the Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of the House amendment and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Thomas and Representatives Crane and Rangel.

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From the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of section 603 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Boehner and Representatives Sam Johnson of Texas and George Miller of California.

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From the Committee on Energy and Commerce for consideration of section 603 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Tauzin and Representatives Bilirakis and Dingell.

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From the Committee on Government Reform for consideration of section 344 of the House amendment and section 1143 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Burton of Indiana and Representatives Barr of Georgia and Waxman.

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From the Committee on the Judiciary for consideration of sections 111, 601, and 701 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Coble and Conyers.

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From the Committee on Rules for consideration of sections 2103, 2105 and 2106 of the House amendment and sections 2103, 2105, and 2106 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Dreier and Representatives Linder and Hastings of Florida.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures that were debated on June 25:

Sex Tourism Prohibition: H.R. 4477, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to crimes involving the transportation of persons and sex tourism (agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 418 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 259);

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Social Security Program Protection: H.R. 4070, amended, to amend the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional safeguards for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income beneficiaries with representative payees and to enhance program protections (agreed to by a recorded vote of 425 ayes with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 260);

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2002 Securities and Exchange Commission Authorization: H.R. 3764, to authorize appropriations for the Securities and Exchange Commission (agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 422 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 265); and

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New Hampshire-Vermont Interstate School Compact: H.R. 3180, to consent to certain amendments to the New Hampshire-Vermont Interstate School Compact (agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 266).

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Motion to Instruct Conferees—Help America Vote Act: Representative Langevin announced his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the Senate amendments to H.R. 3295, Help America Vote Act, to recede from disagreement with the provisions contained in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section 101(a)(3) of the Senate amendment to the House bill (relating to the accessibility of voting systems for individuals with disabilities).

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Capitol Police Retention, Recruitment, and Authorization Act: The House passed H.R. 5018, to direct the Capitol Police Board to take steps to promote the retention of current officers and members of the Capitol Police and the recruitment of new officers and members of the Capitol Police, by unanimous consent.

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Historic Performance of the United States Soccer Team: The House agreed to H. Res. 445, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with regard to the United States National Soccer Team and its historic performance in the 2002 FIFA World Cup tournament, by unanimous consent. Agreed to the Sullivan amendment that commends the United States Soccer Federation, United States Soccer Foundation, and coaches and parents of young soccer players around the country for their role in the success of soccer in the United States.

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In Honor of Jack Buck—Voice of the St. Louis Cardinals: The House agreed to H. Res. 455, honoring the life of John Francis “Jack” Buck.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:20 p.m. and reconvened at 9:19 a.m. on Thursday, June 27.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:20 a.m. on Thursday, June 27 and reconvened at 9:46 a.m. on Thursday, June 27.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H3931.

Referral: S. 2621 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven ye-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3948, H3949, H3949–50, H3950–51, H3952, H3960, H3963–64, H4020–21, and H4021–22. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 26 and adjourned at 9:47 a.m. on Thursday, June 27.

Committee Meetings

REVIEW PROPOSAL—DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review the Administration’s proposed legislation creating a Department of Homeland Security. Testimony was heard from Bob Odom, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture and Forestry, State of Louisiana; Roger Johnson, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, State of North Dakota; Meg Scott Phipps, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, State of North Carolina; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies approved for full Committee action the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2003.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government approved for full Committee action the Department of Treasury, Postal Service and General Government appropriations for fiscal year 2003.

REVIEW PROPOSED—DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the Administration’s proposal to create a new Department of Homeland Security, and its impact on the Department of Defense and defense-related aspects of the Department of Energy. Testimony was heard from Stephen A. Cambone, Principal Deputy Under Secretary (Policy), Department of Defense; and John Gordon, Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.