

Points of Order Sustained Against:

Shadegg amendment that sought to allow Regional Foresters to exempt projects involving the removal of trees from the applicability of the citizen suit authority contained in the Endangered Species Act on the basis that a wildfire is likely to cause harm to the forest ecosystem and destroy human life and dwellings. **Pages H4849–50**

Dicks amendment that sought to provide funding to acquire lands or waters within the Everglades watershed; and **Pages H4855–56**

Flake amendment that sought to prohibit the use of any funding to entities not specifically identified by name as recipients in the Act. **Page H4856**

H. Res. 483, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 16.

Company Accounting Reform and Investor Protection Act: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3763, to protect investors by improving the accuracy and reliability of corporate disclosures made pursuant to the securities laws and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Oxley and Representatives Baker, Royce, Ney, Kelly, Cox, LaFalce, Frank, Kanjorski, and Waters. Provided that Representative Shows is appointed in lieu of Representative Waters for consideration of section 11 of the House bill and section 305 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference. **Pages H4838–47**

Appointed as conferees from the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of sections 306 and 904 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Boehner and Representatives Sam Johnson of Texas and George Miller of California. **Page H4847**

Appointed as conferees from the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of sections 108 and 109 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Tauzin and Representatives Greenwood and Dingell. **Page H4847**

Appointed as conferees from the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of section 105 and titles 8 and 9 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Smith of Texas and Conyers. **Page H4847**

Appointed as conferees from the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of section 109 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Thomas and Representatives McCrery and Rangel. **Page H4847**

Rejected the Conyers motion to instruct conferees to recede from disagreement with the Senate positions relating to document retention, extension of the statute of limitations, whistleblower protection, and sentencing enhancements by a yea-and-nay vote of 207 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 313.

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Discharge Petition: Representative Maloney of Connecticut moved to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of H. Res. 456, providing for consideration of H.R. 3884, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent corporations from avoiding the United States income tax by reincorporating in a foreign country.

Recess: The House recessed at 10:44 p.m. and reconvened at 10:53 p.m. **Page H4870**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page H4873.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4772–73, H4815–16, H4816–17, H4817, H4846–47, H4847–48, H4848, H4848–49, H4857–58, and H4859. There were no quorum calls.

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

Committee Meetings

SPORTS AGENT RESPONSIBILITY AND TRUST ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee, as amended, H.R. 4701, Sports Agent Responsibility and Trust Act.

HARMING PATIENT ACCESS TO CARE: IMPACT OF EXCESSIVE LITIGATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on “Harming Patient Access to Care: The Impact of Excessive Litigation.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MONETARY POLICY AND THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing on Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy. Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY:
GOVERNMENT TRAVEL AND PURCHASE
CARD PROGRAMS**

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on "Government Travel and Purchase Card Programs at the Department of the Army." Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; Gregory D. Kutz, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: Maj. Gen. Thomas W. Eres, USA, Commander, Army National Guard, State of California; Sandra L. Pack, Assistant Secretary, Army, Financial Management and Comptroller, Office of the Secretariat; Jerry Hinton, Director, Finance, Defense Finance and Accounting Service; James T. Inman, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Army, Policy and Procurement; and Deidre A. Lee, Director, Defense Procurement.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following measures: S.J. Res. 13, amended, conferring honorary citizenship of the United States on Paul Yves Roch Gilbert du Motier, also known as the Marquis de Lafayette; H.R. 4558, to extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program; S. 487, Technology, Education, and Copyright Harmonization Act of 2001; H. Res. 437, requesting that the President focus appropriate attention on neighborhood crime prevention and community policing, and coordinate certain Federal efforts to participate in "National Night Out," including by supporting local efforts and neighborhood watches and by supporting local officials to provide homeland security; H.R. 3951, amended, Financial Services Regulatory Relief Act of 2002; and H.R. 4965, Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2002.

**OVERSIGHT—COMPACTS OF FREE
ASSOCIATION; MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on the Compacts of Free Association. Testimony was heard from Peter T.R. Brookes, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of Defense; David B. Cohen, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; Albert V. Short, Chief Compact Negotiator, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; Susan S. Westin, Managing Director, International Affairs and Trade, GAO; Peter Christian, Chief Negotiator, Federal States of Micronesia and Gerald M. Zackios, Compact Negotiator, Republic of Marshall Islands.

The Committee also held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2408, Yankton Sioux Tribe and

Santee Sioux Tribe Equitable Compensation Act; H.R. 3407, Indian Financing Act Reform Amendment; and H.R. 4938, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study to determine the most feasible method of developing a safe and adequate municipal, rural, and industrial water supply for the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska. Testimony was heard from following officials of the Department of the Interior: Neal A. McCaleb, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs; and John W. Keys III, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and public witnesses.

**TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE AND
GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 9 to 1, an open rule on H.R. 5120, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution may be offered only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule provides that the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole shall accord priority in recognition to Representative Goss of Florida or his designee to offer the amendment printed in the report. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in the report. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. On July 16, testimony was heard from Representatives Istook, Flake, Hoyer, and DeLauro.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 5121, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule provides that the bill shall

be considered as read through page 61, line 16. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule provides that where points of order are waived against part of a paragraph, points of order against a provision in another part of that paragraph may be made only against that provision and not against the entire paragraph. The rule provides that no amendment to the bill shall be in order except the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution and except pro forma amendments offered at any time by the chairman or ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees for the purpose of debate. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the report may be offered only by a member specified in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Testimony was heard from Representatives Taylor of North Carolina, Moran of Virginia, Davis of Illinois and Holt.

IN THE MATTER OF REPRESENTATIVE JAMES A. TRAFICANT, JR.

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Adjudicatory Subcommittee continued hearings in the Matter of Representative James A. Traficant, Jr., to determine whether any counts in the Statement of Alleged Violations have been proven by clear and convincing evidence. Testimony was heard from Representative Traficant.

The Subcommittee denied all of Representative Traficant's motions to dismiss the charges against him.

The summation of charges against Representative Traficant were presented to the Subcommittee by Paul Lewis, a Counsel to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.

Representative Traficant was heard in his defense to rebut the charges against him.

Subcommittee will meet tomorrow.

HOMELAND SECURITY ACT

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Concluded hearings on H.R. 5005, Homeland Security Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from Representatives Young of Florida and Obey, Skelton, Tauzin, Dingell, Oxley, LaFalce, Goss, Pelosi, Burton of Indiana, Waxman, Hyde, Lantos, Boehlert, Hall of Texas, Young of

Alaska, Oberstar and Thomas; and David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO.

Joint Meetings

U.S. ECONOMY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues related to the economic outlook of the nation, focusing on proposed tax and budgetary policies that advance recovery and promote economic growth, after receiving testimony from R. Glenn Hubbard, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine issues with respect to identity theft, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Subcommittee on Production and Price Competitiveness, to hold hearings on S. 532, to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act to permit a State to register a Canadian pesticide for distribution and use within that State, 2 p.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to mark up H.R. 5010, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003; proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003; proposed legislation making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003; proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003; and a proposed resolution encouraging the Committee on Appropriations to report thirteen fiscally responsible, bipartisan appropriation bills to the Senate no later than July 31, 2002, 2 p.m., S-128, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings on the nominations of Paul S. Atkins, of Virginia, and Harvey Jerome Goldschmid, of New York, each to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine perspectives on improving corporate responsibility, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the role of Enron Corporation energy services in the western state electricity crisis, 11 a.m., SR-253.