

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 29 public bills, H.R. 5211–5239; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res 108, H. Con. Res. 448–451, and H. Res 503–505, were introduced. **Pages H5789–90**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4620, to accelerate the wilderness designation process by establishing a timetable for the completion of wilderness studies on Federal lands (H. Rept. 107–613);

S. 1057, to authorize the addition of lands to Pu'uhonua o Honaunau National Historical Park in the State of Hawaii (H. Rept. 107–614);

H. Res. 502, providing for consideration of H.R. 5005, to establish the Department of Homeland Security (H. Rept. 107–615); and

H.R. 1784, to establish an Office on Women's Health within the Department of Health and Human Services, amended (H. Rept. 107–616).

Conference report on H.R. 333, to amend title 11, United States Code (H.Rept. 107-617);

H. Res. 506, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 333, to amend title 11, United States Code (H.Rept. 107-618);

H. Res. 507, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H.Rept. 107-619); and

H. Res. 508, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 107-620).

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Corporate and Auditing Accountability, Responsibility, and Transparency Act Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3763, Corporate and Auditing Accountability, Responsibility, and Transparency Act by a yeas-and-nays vote of 423 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 348. The conference report was considered pursuant to the order of the House of Wednesday, July 24.

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Bob Stump National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4546, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 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, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. The House amendment consists of the text of H.R. 4546 and the text of H.R. 4547, as passed by the House. The House then

insisted on its amendment and asked for a conference with the Senate. **Page H5480**

Appointed as conferees: From the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of the House amendment and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Stump and Representatives Hunter, Hansen, Weldon of Pennsylvania, Hefley, Saxton, McHugh, Everett, Bartlett of Maryland, McKeon, Watts of Oklahoma, Thornberry, Hostettler, Chambliss, Jones of North Carolina, Hilleary, Graham, Skelton, Spratt, Ortiz, Evans, Taylor of Mississippi, Abercrombie, Meehan, Underwood, Allen, Snyder, Reyes, Turner, and Tauscher. **Page H5607**

From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 11 of rule X: Chairman Goss and Representatives Bereuter and Pelosi. **Page H5607**

From the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of secs. 341–343, and 366 of the House amendment, and secs. 331–333, 542, 656, 1064, and 1107 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Isakson, Wilson of South Carolina, and George Miller of California. **Page H5607**

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of secs. 601 and 3201 of the House amendment, and secs. 311, 312, 601, 3135, 3155, 3171–3173, and 3201 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Tauzin and Representatives Barton of Texas and Dingell. **Page H5607**

From the Committee on Government Reform, for consideration of secs. 323, 804, 805, 1003, 1004, 1101–1106, 2811, and 2813 of the House amendment, and secs. 241, 654, 817, 907, 1007–1009, 1061, 1101–1106, 2811, and 3173 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Burton and Representatives Weldon of Florida and Waxman. **Pages H5607–08**

From the Committee on International Relations, for consideration of secs. 1201, 1202, 1204, Title XI, and sec. 3142 of the House amendment, subtitle A of Title X, secs. 1212–1216, 3136, 3151, and 3156–3161 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Hyde and Representatives Gilman and Lantos. **Page H5608**

From the Committee on Judiciary, for consideration of secs. 811 and 1033 of the House amendment, and secs. 1067 and 1070 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Smith of Texas and Conyers. **Page H5608**

From the Committee on Resources, for consideration of secs. 311, 312, 601, title XIV, secs. 2821, 2832, 2841, and 2863 of the House amendment, and secs. 601, 2821, 2823, 2828, and 2841 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Duncan, Gibbons, and Rahall. **Page H5608**

From the Committee on Science, for consideration of secs. 244, 246, 1216, 3155, and 3163 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: chairman Boehlert, Smith of Michigan, and Hall of Texas. **Page H5608**

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of sec. 601 of the House amendment, and secs. 601 and 1063 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Young of Alaska, LoBiondo, and Brown of Florida. **Page H5608**

From the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for consideration of secs. 641, 651, 721, 723, 724, 726, 727, and 728 of the House amendment, and secs. 541 and 641 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Smith of New Jersey, Bilirakis, Jeff Miller of Florida, Filner, and Carson. **Page H5608**

Agreed to the Taylor of Mississippi motion to instruct conferees to insist upon the provisions of section 1551 of the House amendment (relating to the establishment of at least one Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team in each State) by a yea-and-nay vote of 419 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 349. **Pages H5602-07**

Agreed to close the meetings of the conference at such times as classified national security material may be broached by a recorded vote of 420 yeas to 3 noes, Roll No. 350. **Page H5608**

Suspension—Improving Access to Long-Term Care: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 4946, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to provide health care incentives related to long-term care by a yea-and-nay vote of 362 yeas to 61 nays, Roll No. 351. Agreed to amend the title so as to read "A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide health care incentives.". The motion was debated on July 23. **Pages H5608-09**

Special Meeting of the Congress in New York, New York: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 448, providing for a special meeting of the Congress in New York, New York, on Friday, September 6, 2002, in remembrance of the victims and the heroes of September 11, 2001, in recognition of the courage and spirit of the City of New York, and for other

purposes. And the House agreed to H. Con. Res. 449, providing for representation by Congress at a special meeting in New York, New York on Friday, September 6, 2002. **Pages H5609-14, H5615**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:34 p.m. and reconvened at 7 p.m. **Page H5621**

Party Designation: Read a letter from Representative Goode wherein he requested that his party designation be changed to Republican on all official publications and databases of the House of Representatives, effective August 1, 2002. **Page H5621**

Homeland Security Act: The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to H.R. 5005, to establish the Department of Homeland Security. **Pages H5633-H5704**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Select Committee on Homeland Security now printed in the bill (H. Rept. 107-609, Part 1) was considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. **Page H5660**

Agreed To:

Young of Alaska Amendment No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 107-615 that restores FEMA as an entity and maintain its role as the lead agency for the Federal Response Plan; **Pages H5686-91**

Cox Amendment No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 107-615 that clarifies that the Department of Homeland Security is responsible for cybersecurity and protection of its infrastructure; **Pages H5691-92**

Israel Amendment No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 107-615 that establishes an advisory committee for the Under Secretary for Science and Technology; **Pages H5692-93**

Woolsey Amendment No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 107-615 that establishes a Homeland Security Institute as a research and development center; **Page H5694**

Hunter Amendment No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 107-615 that expresses the sense of Congress that the completion of the San Diego Border Fence Project should be a priority of the Department of Homeland Security; **Pages H5696-97**

Ose Amendment No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 107-615 that requires a plan within one year to consolidate and co-locate regional and field offices in each of the cities with existing offices transferred to the Department of Homeland Security; **Pages H5697-98**

Velázquez Amendment No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 107-615 that ensures that the Department of Homeland Security has procurement goals for small businesses; **Page H5698**

Hastings of Florida Amendment No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 107-615 that directs the Secretary to

comply with laws protecting equal employment opportunity and providing whistleblower protections;

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Kingston Amendment No. 13 printed in H. Rept. 107–615 that ensures that if the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center is transferred to the Department of Justice, the Department of Justice will not alter the operations of the center;

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Rush Amendment No. 15 printed in H. Rept. 107–615 that establishes an office for state and local government coordination; and

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Shays Amendment No. 16 printed in H. Rept. 107–615 that requires biennial reports to Congress on the status of homeland security preparedness, including an assessment for each state, and a report within one year of enactment that assesses the progress of the Department in implementing the Act to ensure that core functions of each entity transferred to the Department are maintained and strengthened and recommending any conforming changes in law necessary to the further implementation of the Act.

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Amendments Offered and Further Proceedings Postponed Until Friday, July 26:

Oberstar Amendment No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 107–615 that seeks to retain FEMA as an independent agency with responsibility for natural disaster preparedness, response, and recovery;

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Cardin Amendment No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 107–615 that preserves the Customs Service as a distinct entity within the Department of Homeland Security; and

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Rogers of Kentucky Amendment No. 14 printed in H. Rept. 107–615 that gives permissive authority to the Secretary to establish and operate a permanent Joint Interagency Homeland Security Task Force.

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Withdrawn:

Rivers Amendment No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 107–615 was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to establish an Office of Inquiries within the Department of Science and Technology to review proposals to develop or deploy products that would contribute to homeland security.

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Agreed to H. Res. 502, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote. Earlier, agreed to consider the resolution by unanimous consent.

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Recess: the House recessed at 12:40 a.m. on Friday, July 26 and reconvened at 8:21 a.m. on Friday, July 26.

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Memorial for Chaplain Ford: Representative Horn asked unanimous consent to print the remarks from

the Memorial Service held for the late Rev. Dr. James David Ford at the Capitol by members and staff of the House of Representatives. Dr. Ford was Chaplain of the House from January 15, 1979 until March 23, 2000. July 25 is the anniversary of Dr. Ford's birth.

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H5614–15 and H5631.

Referrals: S. 434 was referred to the Committee on Resources and S. 1175 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on pages H5480, H5607, H5608, and H5609. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:24 a.m. on Friday, July 26.

Committee Meetings

DRUG REIMPORTATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Examining Prescription Drug Reimportation: a Review of a Proposal to Allow Third Parties to Reimport Prescription Drugs." Testimony was heard from William Hubbard, Senior Associate Commissioner, Office of Policy, Planning and Legislation, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

U.S. NATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE ASSESSMENT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "The U.S. National Climate Change Assessment: Do the Climate Models Project a Useful Picture of Regional Climate?" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REAUTHORIZATION REQUESTS— WORLDBANK INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION AND AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing on the expected authorization requests on the U.S. participation in the World Bank-International Development Association and the African Development Fund. Testimony was heard from John Taylor, Under Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury.