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Hearings subject to the call.

CHILDHOOD VACCINE SUPPLIES

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Public Health concluded hearings to examine the adequacy of childhood vaccine supplies, focusing on the extent that recent shortages have affected immunization policy and programs, what factors have contributed to recent shortages, and what strategies are federal agencies considering to help mitigate the disruptions in supply, after receiving testimony from Janet Heinrich, Director, Health Care-Public Health Issues, General Accounting Office; Tim Doran, Greater Baltimore Medical Center, Baltimore, Maryland, on behalf of the American Academy of Pediatrics; and Wayne Pisano, Aventis Pasteur North America, Swiftwater, Pennsylvania.

TRIBAL RECOGNITION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1392, to establish procedures for the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the Department of the Interior with respect to tribal recognition, and S. 1393, to provide grants to ensure full and fair participation in certain decision making processes at the Bureau of Indian Affairs, after receiving testimony from Senators Dodd and Lieberman; Aurene M. Martin, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Barry T. Hill, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, General Accounting Office; Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal, Hartford; Nicholas H. Mullane II, Town of North Stonington, and Marcia Flowers, Eastern Pequot Indians of Connecticut, both of North Stonington; and Cecile Maxwell-Hansen, Duwamish Tribe, Burien, Washington.

ANDEAN REGION

Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded hearings to examine U.S. policy in the Andean region, focusing on the drug trade and its impact on democracy in Colombia and the Andean region, after receiving testimony from Asa Hutchinson, Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; Richard Armitage, Deputy Secretary of State; and Brig. Gen. Galen B. Jackman, USA, Director of Operations, U.S. Southern Command.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 6496–6405; and 9 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 469–470, and H. Res. 524–526, 529–532, were introduced. **Pages H6302–03**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3995, to amend and extend certain laws relating to housing and community opportunity, amended (H. Rept. 107–640, Pt. 2);

H.R. 4864, to combat terrorism and defend the Nation against terrorist acts, amended (H. Rept. 107–658);

S. 2690, to reaffirm the reference to one Nation under God in the Pledge of Allegiance, amended (H. Rept. 107–659);

H. Res. 527, providing for consideration of H. Res. 524, expressing the sense of the House that Congress should complete action on the Permanent

Death Tax Repeal Act of 2002, and for consideration of H. Res. 525, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the 107th Congress should complete action on and present to the President, before September 30, 2002, legislation extending and strengthening the successful 1996 welfare reforms (H. Rept. 107–660); and

H. Res. 528, providing for consideration of H.R. 1701, to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide certain substantive rights to consumers under such agreements (H. Rept. 107–661). **Page H6302**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Kern to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6257**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:01 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H6260**

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar, the House passed over without prejudice: H.R. 392, for the relief of Nancy B. Wilson. The House passed: S. 1834, for the relief of retired Sergeant First Class James D. Benoit and Wan Sook Benoit and H.R. 2245, for the relief of Anisha Goveans Foti. **Pages H6260–61**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:38 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H6283**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Women's Health Office Act: H.R. 1784, amended, to establish an Office on Women's Health within the Department of Health and Human Services; **Pages H6262–68**

Urging Prohibition of the Rebirthing Therapeutic Technique: H. Con. Res. 435, expressing the sense of the Congress that the therapeutic technique known as rebirthing is a dangerous and harmful practice and should be prohibited (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 397 yeas with none voting nay, Roll No. 388); **Pages H6268–69, H6283–84**

Rollan D. Melton Post Office Building, Fallon, Nevada: H.R. 4102, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 120 North Maine Street in Fallon, Nevada, as the "Rollan D. Melton Post Office Building" (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 398 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 389); **Pages H6269–70, H6284–85**

Joseph D. Early Post Office, Worcester, Massachusetts: H.R. 5333, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4 East Central Street in Worcester, Massachusetts, as the "Joseph D. Early Post Office Building" (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 397 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 390); **Pages H6270–71, H6285**

Department of Veterans Affairs Emergency Preparedness Act: H. Res. 526, providing for the concurrence by the House with an amendment in the amendments of the Senate to H.R. 3253, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of emergency medical preparedness centers in the Department of Veterans Affairs; and **Pages H6271–78**

National Construction Safety Team Act: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4687, to provide for the establishment of investigative teams to assess building performance and emergency response and evacuation procedures in the wake of any building failure that has resulted in substantial loss of life or

that posed significant potential of substantial loss of life clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H6278–83**

Consideration of Suspensions: Agreed that it be in order at any time on the legislative day of Wednesday, September 18 for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules relating to the following measures: H. Res. 523, recognizing the contributions of historically Black colleges and universities and H. Con. Res. 337, recognizing the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues for their achievements, dedication, sacrifices, and contributions to baseball and the Nation. **Pages H6285–86**

Motion to Instruct Conferees—Help America Vote Act: Representative Waters announced her intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 3295, Help America Vote Act, to take such actions as may be appropriate to ensure that a conference report is filed on the bill prior to October 1, 2002. **Page H6286**

Congressional Gold Medal Ceremony for General Shelton: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 469, authorizing the Rotunda of the Capitol to be used on September 19, 2002, for a ceremony to present the Congressional Gold Medal to General Henry H. Shelton (USA, Ret.). **Page H6286**

Presidential Message—Payments Made to Cuba: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted a semiannual report detailing payments made to Cuba by United States persons as a result of the provision of telecommunications services pursuant to Department of the Treasury specific licenses referred to the Committee on International Relations. **Page H6287**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6257.

Referral: S. 1777 was held at the desk.

Quorum Calls Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6283–84, H6284–85, and H6285. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT—TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on technical assistance and capacity building