

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

Congratulating Lutheran Schools for Their Contributions to Education: H. Res. 106, congratulating Lutheran schools, students, parents, teachers, administrators, and congregations across the Nation for their ongoing contributions to education (agreed to by ye and nay vote of 407 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 40);

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Annual Visiting Nurses Association Week: H. Con. Res. 54, expressing the sense of the Congress that there should be established an annual National Visiting Nurse Association Week (agreed to by ye and nay vote of 411 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 41); and

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Honoring the Legacy of Mr. Rogers and His Neighborhood: H. Res. 111, honoring the legacy of Fred Rogers and his dedication to creating a more compassionate, kind, and loving world for children and adults (agreed to by ye and nay vote of 412 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 42).

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Consideration of Joint Resolution Commending Members of the Armed Forces and Their Families on March 5: Agreed that it be in order at any time on Wednesday, March 5, 2003 to consider in the House H.J. Res. 27, recognizing and commending the continuing dedication, selfless service, and commitment of members of the Armed Forces and their families during the Global War on Terrorism and in defense of the United States; that it be considered as read for amendment; that it be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and ranking Minority member of the Committee on Armed Services; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion.

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Consideration of Museum and Library Services Act on March 6: Agreed that it be in order at any time without intervention of any point of order on Thursday, March 6, to consider in the House H.R. 13, to reauthorize the Museum and Library Services Act, that it be considered as read for amendment; that it be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the bill to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today

and appear on pages H1488, H1488–89, H1489–90. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:48 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education held a hearing on Commissioner of Social Security Administration. Testimony was heard from JoAnne B. Barnhart, Commissioner, SSA.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Inspector General of Social Security Administration. Testimony was heard from James G. Hushe, Inspector General, SSA.

U.S.-RUSSIAN COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION AND NON-PROLIFERATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on U.S.-Russian Cooperative Threat Reduction and Non-Proliferation Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: J. D. Crouch, II, Assistant Secretary, International Security Policy; and David Steensma, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Auditing; Ambassador Linton Brooks, Acting Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; Paula A. DeSutter, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Verification and Compliance, Department of State; and Joseph A. Christoff, Director, International Affairs and Trade Team, GAO.

IMPROVING ADULT EDUCATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness held a hearing on “Improving Adult Education for the 21st Century.” Testimony was heard from Carol D’Amico, Assistant Secretary, Office of Vocational and Adult Education, Department of Education; and public witnesses.

REVIEW FASB ACTIONS POST-ENRON AND WORLDCOM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “A Review of FASB Actions Post-Enron and WorldCom.” Testimony was heard from Robert H. Herz, Chairman, Financial Accounting Standards Board.

HEALTH EFFICIENT, ACCESSIBLE, LOW-COST, TIMELY HEALTHCARE (HEALTH) ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 5, Help Efficient, Accessible, Low-Cost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2003.

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE REFORM ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing on H.R. 522, Federal Deposit Insurance Reform Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from Donald E. Powell, Chairman, FDIC.

HELP EFFICIENT, ACCESSIBLE, LOW-COST TIMELY HEALTHCARE (HEALTH) ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 5, Help Efficient, Accessible, Low-Cost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NEED FOR BANKRUPTCY REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the Need for Bankruptcy Reform legislation and H.R. 975, Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from Lawrence A. Friedman, Director, Executive Office for United States Trustees, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines held an oversight hearing on Reauthorization of Transportation Research, Development and Education Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Ellen Engleman, Administrator, Research and Special Programs Administration; Annette Sandberg, Administrator, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration; J. Richard Capka, Deputy Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; Robert Jamison, Deputy Administrator, Federal Transit Administration; and Marilena Amoni, Assistant Administrator, Traffic Safety Programs, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; Wesley Lum, Chief, Office of National Liaison, Division of Research and Innovation, Department of Transportation, State of California; and public witnesses.

ADMINISTRATION'S ECONOMIC GROWTH PROPOSALS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on the Administration's Economic Growth Proposals. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the

Department of the Treasury: John W. Snow, Secretary; Pamela F. Olson, Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy; and Richard H. Clarida, Assistant Secretary, Economic Policy.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Met for organizational purposes.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold closed hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for operations intelligence, 10 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation energy and water development programs, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of enhanced 911 (E-911) services for wireless phones, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the Administration's Trade Agenda, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold closed briefing to examine Turkish aid negotiations and developments in Northern Iraq, 10:30 a.m., SH-219.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Convention Between the Government of the United States Of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and on Capital Gains, signed at London on July 24, 2001, together with an Exchange of Notes, as amended by the Protocol signed at Washington on July 19, 2002 (the "Convention") (Treaty Doc. 107-19), the Protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States Of America and the Government of Australia for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Canberra on September 27, 2001 (the "Protocol") (Treaty Doc. 107-20), and the Second Additional Protocol that Modifies the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Mexico City on November 26, 2002 (Treaty Doc. 108-03), 3 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 380, to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to reform the funding of benefits under the Civil Service Retirement System for employees of the