

a voluntary prescription drug benefit under the medicare program and to strengthen and improve the medicare program by a yea-and-nay vote of 194 yeas to 209 nays, Roll No. 573. **Page H9967**

Later Representative Miller of Florida announced his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on the bill. **Page H9967**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H9821.

Senate Referrals: S. 1194 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, S. 1768 was referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and S. 1146 was referred to the Committee on Resources and the Committee on Energy and Commerce. **Page H9978**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H9983–84.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FINANCIAL LITERACY EDUCATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Education Reform held a hearing entitled “Financial Literacy Education: What Do Students Need To Know To Plan For The Future?” Testimony was heard from Dan Ianniciola, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary, Financial Education, Office of Financial Institutions, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

COAST GUARD AND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 2443, Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2003, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. 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. Testimony was heard from Representatives Manzullo and Oberstar.

CONFERENCE REPORT—INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2691, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004 and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.

FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS, FISCAL YEAR 2004

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a close rule providing one hour of debate in the House on H.J. Res. 75, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2004, 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 joint resolution. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit.

AMERICAN JOBS CREATION ACT; RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION ACT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2896, American Jobs Creation Act of 2003.

The Committee also reported, as amended, without recommendation H.R. 2571, Rail Infrastructure Development and Expansion Act for the 21st Century.

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Global War on Terrorism. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL, IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 3289, making emergency supplemental appropriations for defense and for the reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Wednesday, October 29, 2003.