

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 12 noon, on Monday, March 22, 2004.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 3970–3979; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 385–386, and H. Res. 561–563 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed:

 Reports were filed today as follows:

Supplemental report on H.R. 1375, to provide regulatory relief and improve productivity for insured depository institutions (H. Rept. 108–152, Pt. 3);

H.R. 3872, to prohibit the misappropriation of databases while ensuring consumer access to factual information (H. Rept. 108–437); and

H. Res. 561, providing for consideration of H. Res. 557, relating to the liberation of the Iraqi people and the valiant service of the United States Armed Forces and Coalition forces. (H. Rept. 108–438).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Chocoma to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:58 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol by the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies: By unanimous consent the House took from the Speaker's table and agreed to S. Con. Res. 93, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol by the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies.

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Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies: By unanimous consent the House took from the Speaker's table and agreed to S. Con. Res. 94, establishing the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies.

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Later the Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Speaker Hastert, Majority Leader DeLay, and Minority Leader Pelosi to the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies.

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Board of Visitors of the United States Air Force Academy—Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Young of Florida wherein he resigned from the Board of Visitors of the United States Air Force Academy.

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Board of Visitors of the United States Air Force Academy—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Granger to fill the existing vacancy on the Board of Visitors of the United States Air Force Academy.

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

Thanking C–SPAN for its service to the House of Representatives: H. Res. 551, thanking C–SPAN for its service to the House of Representatives on the 25th anniversary of its first coverage of the proceedings of the House, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 392 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 58;

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Myron V. George Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 3733, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 410 Huston Street in Altamont, Kansas, as the "Myron V.

George Post Office”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 394 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 59; and

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Honoring the life and legacy of Luis A. Ferré: H. Res. 433, honoring the life and legacy of Luis A. Ferré, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 398 yeas with none voting “nays” Roll No. 60.

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Suspension Postponed: The House completed debate on the following measure. Further proceedings were postponed until Wednesday, March 17.

Honoring the life and legacy of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt: H.J. Res. 87, Honoring the life and legacy of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and recognizing his contributions on the anniversary of the date of his birth. **Pages H1089–94**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:08 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H1094**

Senate Message: Message from the Senate today appears on page 1080.

Senate Referrals: S. 2043 was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; S. 1904, S. 2022, and S. Con. Res. 95 were held at the desk. **Page H1080**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today. There were no quorum calls. **Pages H1094, H1095, H1095–96**

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies held a hearing on School Leadership. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY SYSTEM

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing on Homeland Security Advisory System: Threat Codes and Public Responses. Testimony was heard from Patrick M. Hughes, Assistant Secretary, Information Analysis, Department of Homeland Security; Randall Yim, Managing Director, Homeland Security and Justice Team, GAO; Shawn Reese, Analyst, American National Government, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

INFORMATION SECURITY IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census held an oversight hearing entitled “Information Security in the Federal Government: One Year Into the Federal Information Security Management Act.” Testimony was heard from Robert F. Dacey, Director, Information Security Issues, GAO; Karen Evans, Administrator, Electronic Government and Information Technology, OMB; Benjamin Wu, Deputy Under Secretary, Technology, Department of Commerce; Paul Corts, Assistant Attorney General, Administration, Department of Justice; Jeffrey Rush, Jr., Inspector General, Department of the Treasury; Ellis W. Merschoff, Chief Information Officer, NRC; and Kerry Weems, Acting Assistant Secretary, Budget, Technology and Finance, Department of Health and Human Services.

ANABOLIC STEROIDS CONTROL ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on H.R. 3866, Anabolic Steroids Control Act of 2004. Testimony was heard from Representative Sweeney; Joseph Rannazzisi, Deputy Director, Office of Diversion Control, DEA, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

LIBERATION OF THE IRAQI PEOPLE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing four hours of debate in the House on H. Res. 557, relating to the liberation of the Iraqi people and the valiant service of the United States Armed Forces and Coalition forces, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on International Relations, or their designee. The rule provides one motion to recommit which may not contain instructions. The rule provides that Section 1 of the resolution provides that during consideration of H. Res. 557, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the resolution to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Chairman Hyde and Representatives Hastings of Florida, Jackson-Lee of Texas, and Inslee.

CONSOLIDATED CRYPTOLOGIC BUDGET

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Consolidated Cryptologic Budget. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.