

any time to consider H. Res. 685, revising the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2005 as it applies to the House of Representatives; that the resolution be considered as read for amendment; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the resolution to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question except 90 minutes of debate equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and Minority Leader or their designees. **Page H4685**

**Department of Defense Appropriations Act for FY 2005:** The House passed H.R. 4613, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, by a yea-and-nay vote of 403 yeas to 17 nays, Roll No. 284.

**Pages H4674–82, H4685–H4728**

Agreed to:

Amendment printed in H. Rept. 108–559; and

Lewis en bloc amendment that requires the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the congressional defense committees that addresses how the Department is improving the dud rate of cluster munitions to meet existing DoD policies; requires that the Secretary notify the Committees on International Relations, and Foreign Relations, as well as the defense committees before assistance is provided to the Iraqi and Afghanistani military or security forces; requires that the Secretary provide to Congress a list of all contracts entered into by the DoD for the provision of security, translation, and interrogation services in Iraq, Afghanistan, or Guantanamo Bay and the amount of each contract; prohibits the use of funds for any contract in contravention of the Small Business Act; and makes technical corrections to the bill. **Pages H4718–19**

Rejected:

Inslee amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds to waive or modify regulations promulgated under sections of title 5 of U.S. Code (by a recorded vote of 202 yeas to 218 noes, Roll No. 283).

**Pages H4722–27**

Withdrawn:

Woolsey amendment (no. 8 printed in the Congressional Record of June 21) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding for the Former Soviet Union Threat Reduction Account; **Pages H4703–04**

Blumenauer amendment (no. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of June 21) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding for research, development, test, and evaluation; **Pages H4706–07**

Jackson-Lee amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding for the Defense Health Program; and **Pages H4707–08**

Jackson-Lee amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding for embassy security, construction, and maintenance for interim facilities for the U.S. Mission in Iraq.

**Pages H4708–09**

H. Res. 683, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 221 yeas to 197 noes, Roll No. 280, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 220 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 279. **Pages H4682–83**

**Abraham Lincoln Study Abroad Fellowship Program:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. Mark Kirk of Wilmette, Illinois, Mr. John C. Peters of DeKalb, Illinois, and Mr. S. Kerry Cooper of College Station, Texas to the Commission on the Abraham Lincoln Study Abroad Fellowship Program. **Page H4728**

Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein she appointed Representative Slaughter, Dr. Mary M. Dwyer of Lake Forest, Illinois, and Ms. Mora McLean of New York to the Commission.

**Pages H4728–29**

**Presidential Message:** Read a letter from the President wherein he reported that whaling activities conducted by Iceland diminish the effectiveness of the International Whaling Commission conservation program—referred to the Committees on International Relations and Resources and ordered printed (H. Doc. 108–195). **Page H4729**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4649.

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H4766.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4682–83, H4683, H4683–84, H4684–85, H4726–27, H4727–28 and H4728. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:02 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on the Air Force Budget Request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Air Force: GEN John P. Jumper, USAF, Chief of Staff; and Nelson F. Gibbs, Assistant Secretary, (Installations, Environment and Logistics).

**PROGRESS IN IRAQ**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on Progress in Iraq. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Paul D. Wolfowitz, Deputy Secretary; and GEN Peter Pace, USMC, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

**COLLEGE ACCESS AND OPPORTUNITY ACT**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness held a hearing entitled “H.R. 4283, the College Access and Opportunity Act: Does Accreditation Provide Students and Parents Accountability and Quality?” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**NIH ETHICS CONCERNS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “NIH Ethics Concerns: Consulting Arrangements and Outside Awards.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Alex Michael Azar, II, General Counsel; Elias Zerhouni, M.D., Director NIH; Anna D. Barker, Deputy Director, Advanced Technologies and Strategic Partnerships; Maureen O. Wilson, Assistant Director; and J. Carl Barrett, Director, Center for Cancer Research, all with the National Cancer Institute; and public witnesses.

**“THE NEW BASEL ACCORD: PRIVATE SECTOR PERSPECTIVES”**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled “The New Basel Accord: Private Sector Perspectives.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**LNG IMPORT TERMINAL AND DEEP WATER PORT SITING**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing entitled “LNG Import Terminal and Deepwater Port Siting: Federal and State Roles.” Testimony was heard from Representative Markey; the following officials of the Department of Energy: David Garman, Acting Under Secretary; and Patrick H. Wood III, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; RADM Thomas Gilmour, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Marine Safety, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Jay Blossman, Commissioner, Public Service Commission, State of Louisiana; Kenneth D. Schisler, Chairman, Public Service Commission, State of Maryland; Joseph Desmond, Deputy Secretary, Energy, Resources Agency, State of California; and public witnesses.

**NUCLEAR SECURITY**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations continued hearings on “Nuclear Security: Can DOE Meet Facility Security Requirements? (Part II).” Testimony was heard from Robin M. Nazzaro, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Energy: David Garman, Under Secretary, Office of Energy, Science and Environment; and Glenn S. Podonsky, Director, Office of Security and Safety Performance Assurance.

**CHILD ABDUCTIONS**

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on A Parents Worst Nightmare: The Heartbreak of International Child Abductions. Testimony was heard from Maura Harty, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State; Daniel J. Bryant, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

**U.S. POLICY TOWARD SOUTH ASIA**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on U.S. Policy Toward South Asia. Testimony was heard from Christina B. Rocca, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of South Asian Affairs, Department of State.

**OVERSIGHT—LIMITING LAWSUIT ABUSE**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Held an oversight hearing entitled “Safeguarding Americans from a Legal Culture of Fear: Approaches to Limiting Lawsuit Abuse.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**MENTALLY ILL OFFENDER TREATMENT AND CRIME REDUCTION ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on S. 1194, Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from Cheri Nolan, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

**INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 6 to 3, a structured rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 4548, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence 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 amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that amendments shall be considered only in the order specified in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goss and Representatives Simmons, Harman, Boswell, Peterson of Minnesota, Cramer, Eshoo, Holt, and Ackerman.

#### OVERSIGHT—PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SECURITY

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines held an oversight hearing on Public Transportation Security. Testimony was heard from Robert Jamison, Deputy Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation; Chet Lunner, Assistant Administrator, Office of Maritime and Land Security, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; Richard A. White, General Manager and Chief Executive Officer, Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority; and public witnesses.

#### TAX EXEMPTION: PRICING PRACTICES OF HOSPITALS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on Tax Exemption: Pricing Practices of Hospitals. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2004

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Subcommittee on Production and Price Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation permitting

the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to register Canadian pesticides, 10 a.m., SD-628.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Competition, Foreign Commerce, and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine peer-to-peer networks, 2 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine the grazing programs of the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service, including permit renewals, recent and proposed changes to grazing regulations, and the Wild Horse and Burro program, as it relates to grazing, and the Administration's proposal for sagegrouse habitat conservation, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* business meeting to consider S. 2495, to strike limitations on funding and extend the period of authorization for certain coastal wetland conservation projects; S. 2350, to establish the Long Island Sound Stewardship System; H.R. 2408, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to reauthorize volunteer programs and community partnerships for national wildlife refuges; S. 1134, to reauthorize and improve the programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965; H.R. 1572, to designate the United States courthouse located at 100 North Palafox Street in Pensacola, Florida, as the "Winston E. Arnow United States Courthouse"; S. 2385, to designate the United States courthouse at South Federal Place in Santa Fe, New Mexico, as the "Santiago E. Campos United States Courthouse"; S. 2398, to designate the Federal building located at 324 Twenty-Fifth Street in Ogden, Utah, as the James V. Hansen Federal Building, proposed Migratory Bird Treaty Reform Act, proposed legislation to provide for the consideration and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and the proposed Water Infrastructure Financing Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* business meeting to review and make recommendations on proposed legislation implementing the U.S.-Australia Free Trade Agreement, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of June Carter Perry, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho, Joyce A. Barr, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia, R. Barrie Walkley, of California, to be Ambassador to the Gabonese Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, James D. McGee, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Madagascar, Cynthia G. Eford, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Angola, Jackson McDonald, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, and Christopher William Dell, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold a closed briefing to examine the situation in Iraq with regard to the June 30, 2004 transition, 3 p.m., S-407, Capitol.