

INTELLIGENCE

Committee recessed subject to call.

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4892–5001; 3 private bills, H.R. 5002–5004; and 23 resolutions, H.J. Res. 101; H. Con. Res. 477–485, and H. Res. 741–753 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H6706–07

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 699, directing the Secretary of State to transmit to the House of Representatives documents in the possession of the Secretary of State relating to the treatment of prisoners and detainees in Iraq, Afghanistan, and Guantanamo Bay, amended, adversely (H. Rept. 108–631);

H. Res. 689, a resolution of inquiry requesting the President and directing certain other Federal officials to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution documents in the possession of the President and those officials relating to the treatment of prisoners or detainees in Iraq, Afghanistan, or Guantanamo Bay, amended, adversely (H. Rept. 108–632);

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2005 (H. Rept. 108–633); and

H.R. 4501, to extend the statutory license for secondary transmissions under section 119 of title 17, United States Code, and to amend the Communications Act of 1934 with respect to such transmissions (H. Rept. 108–634).

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Marriage Protection Act of 2003: The House passed H.R. 3313, to amend title 28, United States Code, to limit Federal court jurisdiction over questions under the Defense of Marriage Act, by a yeand-nay vote of 233 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 410.

Pages H6580–H6613

Agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill.

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H. Res. 734, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote.

Pages H6562–69

United States-Morocco Free Trade Implementation Act: The House passed H.R. 4842, to implement the United States-Morocco Free Trade Agreement, by a yeand-nay vote of 323 yeas to 99 nays, Roll No. 413.

Pages H6615–50

Agreed to extend time for debate on the bill.

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H. Res. 738, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeand-nay vote of 345 yeas to 76 nays, Roll No. 407.

Pages H6569–79

Department of Defense Appropriations Act for FY05—Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4613, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, by a yeand-nay vote of 410 yeas to 12 nays, Roll No. 418.

Pages H6675–76

H. Res. 735, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report was agreed to by a voice vote.

Pages H6652–60

Military Construction Appropriations Act for FY05: The House passed H.R. 4837, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, by a yeand-nay vote of 420 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 417. The bill was also considered on Wednesday, July 21.

Pages H6660–75

A point of order was sustained against the Obey motion to recommit the bill back to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment.

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Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the bill back to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back to the House promptly with an amendment, by a yeand-nay vote of 201 yeas to 217 nays, Roll No. 416.

Pages H6673–75

Point of Order sustained against:

Section 129 of the bill regarding an increase in funds that is not subject to scoring for purposes of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974.

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Agreed to H. Res. 732, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on Wednesday, July 21.

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures that were previously debated:

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2004: Debated on Tuesday, July 20: H.R. 4175, amended, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2004, the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 421 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 408; **Page H6579**

Sense of the House regarding the postponement of Presidential elections due to terrorist actions: Debated on Tuesday, July 20: H. Res. 728, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the actions of terrorists will never cause the date of any Presidential election to be postponed and that no single individual or agency should be given the authority to postpone the date of a Presidential election, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 419 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 409; **Pages H6579–80**

Commercial Aviation MANPADS Defense Act of 2004: Debated on Wednesday, July 21: H.R. 4056, amended, to encourage the establishment of both long-term and short-term programs to address the threat of man-portable air defense systems (MANPADS) to commercial aviation, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 423 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 411; **Page H6613**

Urging the Government of the Republic of Belarus to ensure a democratic election process for its elections in the Fall of 2004: Debated on Wednesday, July 21: H. Res. 652, urging the Government of the Republic of Belarus to ensure a democratic, transparent, and fair election process for its parliamentary elections in the fall of 2004, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 421 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 412; **Pages H6613–14**

Celebrating 10 years of majority rule in the Republic of South Africa: Debated on Wednesday, July 21: H. Con. Res. 436, amended, celebrating 10 years of majority rule in the Republic of South Africa and recognizing the momentous social and economic achievements of South Africa since the institution of democracy in that country, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 422 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 414; **Pages H6650–51**

Recognizing the importance in history of the 150th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the U.S. and Japan: De-

bated on Wednesday, July 21: H. Con. Res. 418, recognizing the importance in history of the 150th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the United States and Japan, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 416 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 415; **Page H6651**

Condemning the attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina in July 1994: Debated on Wednesday, July 21: H. Con. Res. 469, condemning the attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in July 1994, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 422 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 419; and **Page H6676**

Declaring genocide in Darfur, Sudan: Debated on Wednesday, July 21: H. Con. Res. 467, amended, declaring genocide in Darfur, Sudan, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 422 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 420. **Page H6677**

Late Report: Agreed that the Committee on Science have until 5 p.m. on Friday, August 27 to file a report on H.R. 3551, to authorize appropriations to the Department of Transportation for surface transportation research and development. **Page H6615**

Tax Relief, Simplification, and Equity Act of 2003—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House rejected the Stenholm motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1308, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to accelerate the increase in the refundability of the child tax credit, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 198 yeas to 222 nays, Roll No. 421. The motion was also considered on Tuesday, July 20. **Pages H6677–78**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 741, electing Representative Butterfield to the Committees on Agriculture and Small Business. **Pages H6651–52**

Summer District Work Period: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 479, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate. **Page H6678**

Expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives to the family and friends of Mattie Stepanek: The House agreed to H. Res. 695, expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives to the family and friends of Mattie Stepanek on his passing, and honoring the life of Mattie Stepanek for his braveness, generosity of spirit, and efforts to raise awareness of muscular dystrophy. **Pages H6678–79**

Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Bereuter wherein he announced his resignation from the House of Representatives, effective August 31, 2004. **Pages H6679–80**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:35 p.m. and reconvened at 10:25 p.m. **Page H6680**

Extending programs funded under the Highway Trust Fund: The House agreed to discharge from the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, Science, and Resources and pass by unanimous consent H.R. 4916, to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. **Pages H6680–85**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, September 8. **Page H6685**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 4 p.m. on Monday, July 26, 2004, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its concurrence in H. Con. Res. 479, in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution. **Page H6685**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Wolf, or if not available to perform this duty, Representative Tom Davis of Virginia to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through September 7, 2004. **Page H6685**

Preserving the ability of the FHA to insure mortgages under the National Housing Act: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and pass S. 2712, to preserve the ability of the Federal Housing Administration to insure mortgages under sections 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act. **Page H6695**

Senate Message: Messages received from the Senate today appears on pages H6651, H6692.

Senate Referral: S. 2249 was referred to the Committee on Financial Services; S. Con. Res. 125 was held at the desk; S. Con. Res. 130 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and S. 2724 was referred to the Committee on Small Business. **Page H6697**

Quorum Calls—Votes: 15 yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6578–79, H6579, H6579–80, H6612, H6613, H6613–14, H6649–50, H6651, H6674, H6675, H6675–76, H6676, H6677, and H6677–78. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and at 11:57 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 479, stands adjourned until 4 p.m. on Monday, July 26, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of the concurrent resolution, in which case the House shall stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7, 2004.

Committee Meetings

FOOD PROMOTION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported H.R. 4576, Food Promotion Act of 2004.

USDA'S NATIONAL ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture held a hearing to review the USDA's National Animal Identification System. Testimony was heard from John Clifford, Deputy Administrator, Veterinary Services, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES AND THE TRANSPORTATION, TREASURY AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2005

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for fiscal year 2005: VA, HUD and Independent Agencies; and Transportation, Treasury and Independent Agencies.

ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE ATTACK

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the Report of the Commission to Assess the Threat to the United States from Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) Attack. Testimony was heard from William R. Graham, Chairman, Commission to Assess the Threat to the United States from Electromagnetic Pulse Attack.

SPACE CADRE/SPACE PROFESSIONALS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing on Space Cadre/Space Professionals. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Peter B. Teets, Under Secretary, Air Force, Space; GEN Lance Lord, USAF, Commander, Air Force Space Command; LTG Larry J. Dodgen, USA, Commander, Space and Missile Defense Command; and RADM James McArthur, USN, Commander, Navy Network Warfare Command; and public witnesses.