

Joan Vail Grimson of Virginia. **Page S2500**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:
 Michael Jackson, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security. **Pages S2500, S2503**

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Record Votes: Nine record votes were taken today. (Total—44) **Pages S2416, S2417, S2426, S2427, S2428**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:53 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, March 11, 2005. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S2503.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the reauthorization of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey C. Sprecher, Intercontinental Exchange, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia; Robert G. Pickel, International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., New York, New York; Daniel J. Roth, National Futures Association, Chicago, Illinois; and Oliver I. Ireland, Morrison and Forester, LLP, on behalf of Huntsman Corporation, John G. Gaine, Managed Funds Association, and Micah S. Green, The Bond Market Association, all of Washington, D.C.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Gale A. Norton, Secretary of the Interior.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Environmental Management and Radioactive Waste Management in the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Paul M. Golan, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, and Theodore J. Garrish, Deputy Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, both of the Department of Energy.

APPROPRIATIONS: FOSTER CARE INITIATIVES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for funding for Federal foster care initiatives in the District of Columbia, after receiving testimony from Brenda Donald Walker, District of Columbia Child and Family Services Agency; Martha B. Knisley, District of Columbia Department of Mental Health; Lee F. Sattelfield, Family Court of District of Columbia Superior Court; Judith Metzler, Center for the Study of Social Policy, and Margie Chalofsky, Foster and Adoptive Family Advocacy Center, both of Washington, D.C.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DETENTION OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the review of Department of Defense detention operations and detainee interrogation techniques, after receiving testimony from Vice Admiral Albert T. Church III, USN, Director of the Navy Staff.

IDENTITY THEFT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine recent developments involving the security of sensitive consumer information relating to identity theft, focusing on laws currently applicable to resellers of consumer information, receiving testimony from Senator Leahy; Deborah Platt Majoras, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Larry Johnson, Special Agent in Charge, Criminal Investigative Division, United States Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security; Amy S. Friend, Assistant Chief Counsel, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury.

Hearings recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

2006 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee ordered favorably reported an original concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 2006 budget for the Federal Government.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 148, to establish a United States Boxing Commission to administer the Act;

S. 361, to develop and maintain an integrated system of ocean and coastal observations for the Nation's coasts, oceans and Great Lakes, improve warnings of tsunamis and other natural hazards, enhance homeland security, support maritime operations;

S. 39, to establish a coordinated national ocean exploration program within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration;

S. 362, to establish a program within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the United States Coast Guard to help identify, determine sources of, assess, reduce, and prevent marine debris and its adverse impacts on the marine environment and navigation safety, in coordination with non-Federal entities, with an amendment;

S. 50, to authorize and strengthen the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's tsunami detection, forecast, warning, and mitigation program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 268, to provide competitive grants for training court reporters and closed captioners to meet requirements for realtime writers under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, with amendments; and Nominations in the Coast Guard and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Also, Committee adopted its rules of procedures for the 109th Congress.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 55 public bills, H.R. 1212–1266; 1 private bill, H.R. 1267; and 9 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 91–94, and H. Res. 146–150 were introduced. **Pages H1368–71**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1371–72**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 365 yeas to 39 nays, with one voting "present", Roll No. 61. **Pages H1267–68**

Member Sworn—Fifth Congressional District of California: Representative-elect Doris O. Matsui presented herself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier the Clerk of the House transmitted a facsimile copy of the semi-final official returns of the Special Election held on March 8, 2005 from the Honorable Cathy Mitchell, Acting Secretary of State, State of California. **Page H1268**

Privileged Report Filing: Agreed that the Committee on Appropriations have until midnight on March 11 to file a report on a bill making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005. **Page H1269**

Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users: The House passed H.R. 3, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, by a yea-and-nay vote of 417 yeas to 9 nays, Roll No. 65. The measure was also debated on Wednesday, March 9. **Pages H1272–H1324**

Rejected the Higgins motion to recommit the bill to the Committees on Transportation & Infrastructure and Ways & Means with instructions to report the bill back to the House promptly with amendments, by a recorded vote of 190 yeas to 235 noes, Roll No. 64. **Pages H1322–24**

It was agreed during consideration of the bill that the final period of general debate be in order before the disposition of amendments. **Page H1314**

Accepted:

Young of Alaska manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 109–15) that makes a number of adjustments and technical changes (it was later agreed by unanimous consent to modify the amendment); **Pages H1277–H1300, H1313–14**

Issa amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 109–15) that expresses the Sense of Congress that the Department of Transportation and the States should provide additional incentives to encourage the purchase and use of hybrid and other fuel efficient vehicles; **Pages H1303–05**

Burgess amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 109–15) that changes the current calculation to a