

funds for Health Resources and Services by \$11,200,000. **Pages H5062–63**

Capuano amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase by \$5,000,000 and decrease by the same amount funds for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Disease Control, Research, and Training.

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H. Res. 337, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote, after agreeing to the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 304.

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Late Reports: Agreed that the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure have until midnight on June 24 to file a report to accompany the bill H.R. 2864, to provide for the conservation 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.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and 3 Recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4999–H5000, H5070, H5071, and H5071–72.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

IRAQI SECURITY FORCES PROGRESS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the Progress of the Iraqi Security Forces. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Donald H. Rumsfeld, Secretary; GEN Richard B. Myers, USAF, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; GEN John Abizaid, USA, Commander, Central Command; and GEN George W. Casey, Jr., USA, Commander, Multi-National Forces—Iraq.

NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “Reauthorization of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.” Testimony was heard from Jeffrey W. Runge, M.D., Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

BANKING ON RETIREMENT SECURITY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled “Banking on Retirement Security: A

Guaranteed Rate of Return.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FIRST RESPONDERS ANTI-TERRORISM TRAINING

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Science and Technology and the Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight held a joint hearing entitled “The National Training Program: Is Anti-Terrorism Training for First Responders Efficient and Effective.” Testimony was heard from Raymond W. Kelly, Commissioner, Police Department, City of New York; Shawn Reese, Analyst in American National Government, Government and Finance Division, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

TORTURE VICTIMS RELIEF ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations hearing on Implementing the 1998 Torture Victims Relief Act. Testimony was heard from Lloyd Feinberg, Manager, Victims of Torture Fund, U.S. Agency for International Development, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.R. 2017, Torture Victims Relief Reauthorization Act of 2005; H. Con. Res. 168, amended, Condemning the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea for the abductions and continue captivity of citizens of the Republic of Korea and Japan as acts of terrorism and gross violations; and H. Res. 333, Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Weekend of Prayer and Reflection for Darfur, Sudan.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 184, Controlled Substances Export Reform Act of 2005; H.R. 869, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to lift the patent limitation on prescribing drug addiction treatments by medical practitioners in group practices; and H.R. 3020, United States Parole Commission Extension and Sentencing Commission Authority Act of 2005.

POTENTIAL OIL SOURCES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing entitled “The Vast North American Resource Potential of

Oil Shale, Oil Sands, and Heavy Oils,” Part 1. Testimony was heard from Russell George, Executive Director, Department of Natural Resources, State of Colorado; and public witnesses.

MIGRATORY BIRD AND GREAT APE CONSERVATION MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 518, Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Improvement Act of 2005; and H.R. 2693, Great Ape Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from Marshall Jones, Assistant Director, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

VETERANS’ COMPENSATION COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT ACT; OVERSIGHT—VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTH COSTS

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 1220, Veterans’ Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2005.

The Committee also held an oversight hearing to examine the budget modeling and methodologies used by the Department of Veterans Affairs to develop and forecast veterans’ health care cost and utilization projections for future years. Testimony was heard from Jonathan B. Perlin, M.D., Under Secretary, Health, Department of Veterans Affairs; John Kokulis, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs for Health Budgets and Financial Policy, Department of Defense; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

REVIEW TAX DEDUCTION FOR FACADE EASEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing to review the Tax Deduc-

tion for Facade Easements. Testimony was heard from Steven T. Miller, Tax-Exempt and Government Entities Division, IRS, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

SOCIAL SECURITY—PROTECTING AND STRENGTHENING

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings on Protecting and Strengthening Social Security. Testimony was heard from James B. Lockhart, Deputy Commissioner, SSA; Barbara Bovbjerg, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; Patrick J. Purcell, Specialist in Social Legislation, Domestic Social Policy Division, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—GLOBAL UPDATES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a Briefing on Global Updates. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine U.S. military strategy and operations in Iraq and associated funding issues, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.