

Stabenow) Amendment No. 1224, to make certain funding revisions with respect to firefighter assistance grants, preparedness and recovery, interoperable communications grants, disaster relief, and the counterterrorism fund, which was previously agreed to on July 14, 2005, be modified. **Pages S8412–13**

A unanimous-consent request was granted permitting Senator Shelby to change his yeas to a nay vote on Vote No. 187 changing the outcome of the vote to 32 yeas to 65 nays relative to Frist Amendment No. 1223 rejected on July 14, 2005.

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Burma Import Restrictions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, July 19, 2005, begin consideration of S.J. Res. 18, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003; that the joint resolution be read a third time and returned to the Senate calendar; that the Senate then begin consideration of H.J. Res. 52 (House companion measure); that there be 80 minutes for debate; and that following the use, or yielding back of time, Senate vote on final passage of the joint resolution.

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Escort Committee—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort His Excellency, Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India, into the House Chamber for the joint meeting on Tuesday, July 19, 2005.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 78 yeas 16 nays (Vote No. EX. 190), Lester M. Crawford, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

H. Dale Hall, of New Mexico, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

Vincent J. Ventimiglia, Jr., of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Bruce Cole, of Indiana, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Humanities for a term of four years.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—190) **Page S8408**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2:30 p.m., and adjourned at 7:20 p.m. until 11 a.m., on Tuesday, July 19, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8438.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

ENGINE COOLANT AND ANTIFREEZE BITTERING AGENT ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Product Safety, and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine S. 1110, to amend the Federal Hazardous Substances Act to require engine coolant and antifreeze to contain a bittering agent in order to render the coolant or antifreeze unpalatable, after receiving testimony from Jacqueline Elder, Assistant Executive Director, Hazard and Reduction, Consumer Product Safety Commission; New Mexico State Representative Kathy A. McCoy, Cedar Crest; Jeffrey Bye, Prestone, Honeywell International, Inc., Danbury, Connecticut; and Sara Amundson, Doris Day Animal League, Washington, D.C.

IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine certain efforts to secure Iraq, focusing on the current counterinsurgency strategy in Iraq, protecting Iraq's borders and preventing foreign infiltration, the training schedule of Iraqi forces and supporting more training in other countries, and the force structure of the United States' presence in Iraq, after receiving testimony from Kenneth M. Pollack, The Brookings Institution Saban Center for Middle East Policy, and Anthony H. Cordesman, Center for Strategic and International Studies, both of Washington, D.C.; and General Barry R. McCaffrey, USA (Ret.), BR McCaffrey Associates, LLC, Arlington, Virginia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Gillian Arlette Milovanovic, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Macedonia, and James Cain, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to Denmark, who was introduced by Senator Burr, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Richard L. Skinner, of Virginia, to be

Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, who was introduced by Senator Warner, and Brian David Miller, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, General Services Administration, who was introduced by Senators Warner and Allen, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Edmund S. Hawley, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 3318–3327; 1 private bill, H.R. 3328; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 210 and H. Res. 364, were introduced. **Pages H5262–63**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5963–64**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

The National Drug Control Strategy for 2005 and the National Drug Control Budget for Fiscal Year 2006 (H. Rept. 109–172);

H.R. 3070, To authorize the human space flight, aeronautics, and science programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–173);

H.R. 3199, as amended. To extend and modify authorities needed to combat terrorism, and for other purposes. (H. Rept. 109–174, Parts I and II);

H. Res. 365, Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2601) to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for the fiscal years 2006 and 2007, and for other purposes (Rept. 109–175).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Price of Georgia to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5917**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:37 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H5918**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:10 p.m. and reconvened at 3 p.m. **Page H5919**

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

Recognizing the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Veterans Administration: H. Res. 361, recognizing the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Veterans Administration on July 21, 1930; **Pages H5919–23**

Recognizing the 25th anniversary of the workers' strikes in Poland in 1980: H. Res. 328, amended, recognizing the 25th anniversary of the workers' strikes in Poland in 1980 that led to the establishment of the Solidarity Trade Union, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeand-nay vote of 385 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 380; **Pages H5925–27, H5931–32**

Acknowledging African descendants of the transatlantic slave trade in all of the Americas: H. Con. Res. 175, amended, acknowledging African descendants of the transatlantic slave trade in all of the Americas with an emphasis on descendants in Latin America and the Caribbean, recognizing the injustices suffered by these African descendants, and recommending that the United States and the international community work to improve the situation of Afro-descendant communities in Latin America and the Caribbean, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeand-nay vote of 382 yeas to 6 nays and 2 voting "present", Roll No. 381; and **Pages H5927–30, H5932–33**

Commending the continuing improvement in relations between the United States and the Republic of India: H. Res. 364, commending the continuing improvement in relations between the United States and the Republic of India, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeand-nay vote of 388 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 382. **Pages H5930–31, H5933**