

Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 20, 2005, for Morning Hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, September 21.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 445, electing the following Members and Delegates to the following standing committees: Pages H8060–61

Committee on Agriculture: Mrs. Schmidt to rank after Mr. Fortenberry.

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Committee on Government Reform: Mrs. Schmidt to rank after Ms. Foxx.

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Committee on Homeland Security: Mr. King of New York, Chairman; Ms. Ginny Brown-Waite of Florida to rank after Mr. Dent.

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Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Mrs. Schmidt to rank after Mr. Boustany.

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Sense of Congress Welcoming President Chen Shui-bian of Taiwan to the United States on September 20, 2005: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 237, expressing the sense of Congress welcoming President Chen Shui-bian of Taiwan to the United States on September 20.

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Agreed to the Chabot amendment to the preamble of the measure.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Thornberry to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through September 20, 2005.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress the report containing the recommendations of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission—referred to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered printed (H. Doc. 109–56).

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H7961 and H8031.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and 2 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8013, H8014, H8055, H8056 and H8056–57. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review Canada and Australia's experience with imple-

menting national animal identification systems. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ISSUANCE OF SUBPOENAS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations authorized the issuance of subpoenas duces tecum to the Jockeys' Guild and to Matrix Capital Associates, Inc.

KATRINA/EMERGENCY HOUSING

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled "Emergency Housing Needs in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee on Government Reform: Ordered reported the following measures: H. Con. Res. 59, Recognizing the contributions of African-American basketball teams and players for their achievements, dedication, and contributions to the sport of basketball and to the Nation; H. Con. Res. 209, Supporting the goals and ideals of Domestic Violence Awareness Month and expressing the sense of Congress that Congress should raise awareness of domestic violence in the United States and its devastating effects on families; H.J. Res. 61, Supporting the goals and ideals of Gold Star Mothers Day; H.R. 2062, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 57 West Street in Newville, Pennsylvania, as the "Randall D. Shughart Post Office Building;" H.R. 2413, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1202 1st Street in Humble, Texas, as the "Lillian McKay Post Office Building;" H.R. 3439, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 North 3rd Street in Smithfield, North Carolina, as the "Ava Gardner Post Office;" H.R. 3440, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Avenida RL Rodreguez in Bayamon, Puerto Rico, as the "Dr. Jose Celso Barbosa Post Office Building;" H.R. 3667, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 South Barrington Street In Los Angeles, California, as the "Karl Malden Station;" H.R. 3703, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8501 Philatelic Drive in Spring Hill, Florida, as the "Staff Sergeant Michael Schafer Post Office Building;" S. 1275, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7172 North Tongass Highway, Ward Cove, Alaska, as the "Alice R. Brusich Post Office Building;" S. 1223, Information Technology for Health Care Quality Act; a Committee Report entitled "A Citizen's Guide on Using the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act of 1974 to Request Government Records;" H.R. 3508, amended, 2005 District of Columbia Omnibus Authorization Act; H.R. 3128, Clarification of Federal Employment Protections Act; H.R. 3767, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2600 Oak Street in St. Charles, Illinois, as the "Jacob L.

Frazier Post Office Building;” H. Res. 429, Congratulating the West Oahu Little League Baseball team for winning the 2005 Little League Baseball World Series.

KATRINA LESSONS LEARNED

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Back to the Drawing Board: A First Look at Lessons Learned from Katrina.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the State of California: Constance Perett, Administrator, Office of Emergency Management, County of Los Angeles; and Ellis Stanley, General Manager, Emergency Preparedness Department, City of Los Angeles; Robert C. Bobb, City Administrator, District of Columbia; the following officials of the State of Florida: Tony Carper, Jr., Director, Emergency Management Agency, Broward County; and Chief Carlos Castillo, Director, Office of Emergency Management, Miami-Dade County; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported the following measures: H. Con. Res. 195, amended, Commemorating the Armenian Genocide of 1915–1923, urging the Government of the Republic of Turkey to acknowledge the culpability of its predecessor state, the Ottoman Empire, for the Armenian Genocide and engage in rapprochement with the Republic of Armenia and the Armenian people, and supporting the accession of Turkey to the European Union if Turkey meets certain criteria; H. Res. 316, Affirmation of the United States Record on the Armenian Genocide Resolution; and H.R. 1973, amended, Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

The Committee approved a motion urging the chairman to request that the following measures be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.R. 1409, amended, Assistance for Orphans and Other Vulnerable Children in Developing Countries Act of 2005; H.R. 3184, To ensure that countries that have signed a Small Quantities Protocol also sign, ratify, and implement the Additional Protocol and provide access by IAEA inspectors to their nuclear-related facilities and to direct the United States Permanent Representative to the IAEA to make every effort to rescind and eliminate the Small Quantities Protocol and ensure compliance by all Member States of the IAEA with IAEA obligations and the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations; H.R. 3269, To amend the International Organizations Immunities Act to provide for the applicability of that Act to the Bank for International Settlements; H. Res. 38, amended, Expressing support for the accession of Israel to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); H. Res. 388, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the July, 2005, measures of

extreme repression on the part of the Cuban Government against members of Cuba’s prodemocracy movement, calling for the immediate release of all political prisoners, the legalization of political parties and free elections in Cuba, urging the European Union to reexamine its policy toward Cuba, and calling on the representative of the United States to the 62d session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to ensure a resolution calling upon the Cuban regime to end its human rights violations; H. Res. 409, Condemning the Government of Zimbabwe’s “Operation Murambatsvina” under which homes, businesses, religious structures, and other buildings and facilities were demolished in an effort characterized by the Government of Zimbabwe as an operation to “restore order” to the country; H. Con. Res. 237, amended, Expressing the sense of Congress welcoming President Chen Shui-bian of Taiwan to the United States on September 20, 2005; and H. Con. Res. 238, amended, Honoring the victims of the Cambodian genocide that took place from April 1975 to January 1979.

PATENT ACT SUBSTITUTE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property held a hearing entitled “An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 2795, ‘The Patent Act of 2005.’” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FOREIGN NATIONALS/ESPIONAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims held an oversight hearing entitled “Sources and Methods of Foreign Nationals Engaged in Economic and Military Espionage,” Testimony was heard from Michelle Van Cleave, National Counterintelligence Executive, Office of the Director of National Intelligence; Maynard Anderson, former Deputy Under Secretary, Security Policy, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

CYBERSECURITY/PROTECTING CRITICAL INDUSTRIES

Committee on Science: Held a hearing on Cybersecurity: How Can the Government Help Address Vulnerabilities in Critical Industries? Testimony was heard from Donald Purdy, Acting Director, National Cyber Security Division, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT IMPROVEMENTS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Rural Enterprise, Agriculture and Technology held a hearing entitled “The Need for Improvements and More

Incentives in the Endangered Species Act.” Testimony was heard from Representative Pombo; Mike Wells, Chief of Water Resources, Department of Natural Resources, State of Missouri; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—INSPECTOR GENERAL’S 9/11 ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a Briefing on Inspector General’s 9/11 Accountability Report. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

RESOLUTION—REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT FOR DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE DISCLOSURE OF THE IDENTITY AND EMPLOYMENT OF VALERIE PLAME

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session and ordered adversely reported H. Res. 418, Requesting the President 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 relating to the disclosure of the identity and employment of Ms. Valerie Plame.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 19 through September 24, 2005

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2744, Agriculture Appropriations.

During the balance of the week, Senate will consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including any other appropriation bills, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: September 20, business meeting to mark up S. 1582, to reauthorize the United States Grain Standards Act, to facilitate the official inspection at export port locations of

grain required or authorized to be inspected under such Act, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

September 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the status of the World Trade Organization negotiations on agriculture, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 20, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Emil W. Henry, Jr., of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Financial Institutions, Terry Neese, of Oklahoma, to be Director of the Mint, and Patrick M. O’Brien, of Minnesota, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, all of Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-538.

September 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the financial services industry’s responsibilities and role in preventing identity theft and protecting sensitive financial information, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 20, Subcommittee on Disaster Prevention and Prediction, to hold hearings to examine the prediction of Hurricane Katrina and the work of the National Hurricane Center, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

September 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine energy prices, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

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September 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine communications in disaster, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: September 20, to hold hearings to examine climate change science and economics, focusing on the current state of climate change scientific research and the economics of strategies to manage climate change, including the relationship between energy consumption and climate change, and the potential effects on the U.S. economy of climate change and strategies to control greenhouse gas emissions, 10 a.m., SD-366.

September 22, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 435, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1096, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate portions of the Musconetcong River in the State of New Jersey as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1310, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation to increase the diameter of a natural gas pipeline located in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, S. 1378, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act to provide appropriation authorization and improve the operations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and S. 1627, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resources study to evaluate resources along the coastal region of the State of Delaware and to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing a unit of the National Park System in Delaware, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: September 21, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to