

## U.S.-INDIA ATOMIC ENERGY COOPERATION

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States-India atomic energy cooperation, focusing on strategic and non-proliferation implications, including S. 2429, to authorize the President to waive the application of certain requirements under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 with respect to India, after receiving testimony from Ashton B. Carter, Harvard University Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Cambridge, Massachusetts; William J. Perry, Stanford University Hoover Institution, Stanford, California; Robert L. Gallucci, Georgetown University Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Ashley J. Tellis, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Robert J. Einhorn, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Gary Milhollin, Wisconsin Project on Nuclear Arms Control, and Stephen P. Cohen, Brookings Institution, all of Washington, D.C.; and Ronald F. Lehman, II, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, California.

## HIV/AIDS

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security held an oversight hearing to examine Federal efforts to ensure early diagnosis and access to treatment for HIV/AIDS, focusing on how federal funding is being distributed to provide AIDS drugs and HIV testing opportunities in the United States, receiving testimony from Deborah Parham Hopson, Associate Administrator, HIV/AIDS Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration, and Kevin Fenton, Director, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Marcia Crosse, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; Beth

Scalco, National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors, Washington, D.C.; and Michael Weinstein, AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Los Angeles, California.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.

## DIGITAL RADIO REVOLUTION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee held a hearing to examine the future of the music industry in the digital radio revolution, focusing on parity, platforms, and protection issues, receiving testimony from Edgar Bronfman, Jr., Warner Music Group, New York, New York; Gary Parsons, XM Satellite Radio Inc., Washington, D.C.; Bruce T. Reese, Bonneville International Corporation, Salt Lake City, Utah, on behalf of the National Association of Broadcasters; N. Mark Lam, Live365, Inc., Foster City, California, on behalf of the Digital Media Association; Anita Baker, Grosse Point, Michigan; Todd Rundgren, Darby, Pennsylvania; and Victoria Shaw, Nashville, Tennessee.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

## FINANCING AND ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the reauthorization of the Financing and Entrepreneurial Development programs administered by the Small Business Administration, after receiving testimony from Hector V. Barreto, Administrator, Small Business Administration; Harry C. Alford, National Black Chamber of Commerce, Inc., Washington, D.C.; Mark Morrisette, North Atlantic Capital, Portland, Maine, on behalf of the National Association of Small Business Investment Companies; James R. Baird, Bay Area Development Company, Walnut Creek, California; and James A. Maxwell, Granite State Economic Development Corporation/New England Business Finance, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 20 public bills, H.R. 5196–5215; and 10 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 390–394; and H. Res. 778–782 were introduced. **Pages H1851–53**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H1853–54**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3496, to amend the National Capital Transportation Act of 1969 to authorize additional Federal contributions for maintaining and improving the transit system of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 109–440); and

H. Res. 783, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4975) to provide greater transparency

with respect to lobbying activities, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–441). **Page H1851**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Capito to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1745**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. John Hergenrother, Presiding Judge, Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Chicago. **Page H1745**

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

*Urging the Government of China to reinstate all licenses of Gao Zhisheng and his law firm, remove all legal and political obstacles for lawyers attempting to defend criminal cases in China, including politically sensitive cases, and revise law and practice in China so that it conforms to international standards:* H. Con. Res. 365, to urge the Government of China to reinstate all licenses of Gao Zhisheng and his law firm, remove all legal and political obstacles for lawyers attempting to defend criminal cases in China, including politically sensitive cases, and revise law and practice in China so that it conforms to international standards, by a yeand-nay vote of 421 yeas with none voting “nay” and 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 104; and

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*Iran Freedom Support Act:* H.R. 282, amended, to hold the current regime in Iran accountable for its threatening behavior and to support a transition to democracy in Iran, by a yeand-nay vote of 397 yeas to 21 nays, Roll No. 105.

**Pages H1754–74, H1785–86**

**Discharge Petition:** Representative Markey moved to discharge the Committees on Ways and Means, Energy and Commerce and Education and the Workforce from the consideration of H.R. 4263, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a temporary windfall profit tax on crude oil, to establish the Consumer Energy Assistance Trust Fund, and to provide for a rebate to energy consumers (Discharge Petition No. 12).

**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 778, electing Representative Berman to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, to rank immediately ahead of Representative Jones of Ohio.

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**Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007:** The House passed H.R. 5020, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Re-

tirement and Disability System, by a recorded vote of 327 yeas to 96 noes, Roll No. 108.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read.

**Pages H1795–H1808**

Rejected Mr. Schiff motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Intelligence with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 195 yeas to 230 noes, Roll No. 107, after ordering the previous question without objection.

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Agreed to:

Hoekstra amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 109–438) strikes a provision relating to the Freedom of Information Act in Section 421 of the Committee Amendment, relating to protection of intelligence sources and methods. The amendment clarifies that the membership of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the intelligence community is limited to the Office of National Security Intelligence of the Drug Enforcement Administration; **Pages H1800–01**

Fossella amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 109–438) authorizes \$5 million for a study to be conducted by the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) to identify the problems and the successes of terrorist-threat information sharing between the Federal, State, and local levels of government. The amendment also authorizes \$10 million to establish centers of best practices. \$3 million is authorized for the following five years to cover operational expenses of the centers;

**Pages H1801–02**

Lee amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 109–438) requires a report to House and Senate Intelligence committees describing any authorization granted during the past 10 years to engage in intelligence activities related to the overthrow of a democratically elected government; **Pages H1803–04**

Price of North Carolina amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 109–438) requires: (1) the DNI to report to Congress on regulations issued by agencies within the Intelligence Community regarding minimum standards for hiring and training of contractors, functions appropriate for private sector contractors, and procedures for preventing waste, fraud, and abuse; (2) contractors awarded Intelligence Community contracts to provide a transparent accounting of their work to their contracting officers within Intelligence Community agencies; (3) the DNI to submit an annual report to Congress on the contracts awarded by Intelligence Community agencies; and (4) the

DNI to make recommendations to Congress on enhancing the Intelligence Community's ability to hire, promote, and retain highly qualified and experienced professional staff; **Pages H1804–05**

Andrews amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 109–438) requires the Director of National Intelligence to provide the Congress with a quarterly classified intelligence report on insurgent forces in Iraq. The report would contain intelligence on (1) the number of insurgent forces in Iraq, (2) the number of insurgent forces that are former members of the Ba'ath Party, (3) the number of insurgent forces that are members of al Qaeda or other known terrorist organizations, and (4) a description of where the insurgent forces are located, their capabilities and sources of funding; and **Pages H1805–06**

Renzi amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 109–438) makes findings with respect to the President's authority to protect national security information and the harm from unauthorized disclosures of classified information, and express the Sense of Congress that the President should utilize his constitutional authority to the fullest extent practicable (where warranted) to classify and protect national security information and take action against persons who commit unauthorized disclosures (by a recorded vote of 366 ayes to 56 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 106). **Pages H1806–08**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H1812**

H. Res. 774, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 103, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 102.

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**Tax Relief Act of 2005—Motion to Instruct Conferees:** The House completed general debate on the McDermott motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 4297, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006. Further consideration will resume at a later date. **Pages H1813–19**

**Presidential Message:** Read a letter from the President wherein he transmitted notification of his issuance of an Executive Order blocking property of persons in connection with the terrorist act in Beirut, Lebanon, on February 14, 2005 and to take additional steps to a national emergency with respect to the Government of Syria—referred to the Committee on International Relations (H. Doc. 109–100). **Pages H1819–20**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1750.

**Senate Referrals:** S. Res. 443 was held at the desk.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1783–84, H1784–85, H1785, H1785–86, H1808, H1810–11, and H1811–12. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:01 a.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE PROGRAM

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management held a hearing to review the Federal Crop Insurance Program. Testimony was heard from John Hoeven, Governor, State of North Dakota; and public witnesses.

### ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Oversight of Reform of the DOE Nuclear Weapons Complex. Testimony was heard from Clay Sell, Deputy Secretary, Department of Energy; Gene Aloise, Director, National Resources and Environment, GAO; David Klein, Assistant to the Secretary, Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs, Department of Defense; and a public witness.

### FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs held a hearing on USAID. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Randall L. Tobias, Administrator, U.S. Agency of International Development, Department of State.

### SCIENCE, THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE, JUSTICE, AND COMMERCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Testimony was heard from Carl J. Truscott, Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Personnel approved for full Committee action