

**H.R. 1499:** H. Res. 803, to provide for the concurrence by the House with an amendment in the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 1499, by a yeand-nay vote of 412 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 128; **Pages H2193–94, H2299**

**Rural Health Care Capital Access Act of 2006:** H.R. 4912, to amend section 242 of the National Housing Act to extend the exemption for critical access hospitals under the FHA program for mortgage insurance for hospitals; **Pages H2194–95**

**Byron Nelson Congressional Gold Medal Act:** H.R. 4902, to award a Congressional gold medal to Byron Nelson in recognition of his significant contributions to the game of golf as a player, a teacher, and a commentator; **Pages H2195–98**

**Congratulating Chris Carpenter on being named the Cy Young Award winner for the National League for the 2005 Major League Baseball season:** H. Res. 627, to congratulate Chris Carpenter on being named the Cy Young Award winner for the National League for the 2005 Major League Baseball season; **Pages H2198–99**

**Respect for America’s Fallen Heroes Act:** H.R. 5037, to amend titles 38 and 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain demonstrations at cemeteries under the control of the National Cemetery Administration and at Arlington National Cemetery, by a yeand-nay vote of 408 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 129; and **Pages H2199–H2208, H2300**

**Designating the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Muskogee, Oklahoma, as the Jack C. Montgomery Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center:** H.R. 3829, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Muskogee, Oklahoma, as the Jack C. Montgomery Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, by a yeand-nay vote of 407 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 130. **Pages H2208–09, H2300–01**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 4:26 p.m. and reconvened at 6:32 p.m. **Page H2299**

**Board of Visitors of the United States Merchant Marine Academy—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of Representative McCarthy to the Board of Visitors to the United States Merchant Marine Academy. **Page H2299**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2185.

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H2340.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yeand-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2299, H2300 and H2300–01. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at midnight.

## Committee Meetings

### AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS; SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2007

*Committee on Appropriations:* Ordered reported, as amended, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007.

The Committee also approved Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2007.

### CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Examining the Children’s Hospital Graduate Medical Education Program.” Testimony was heard from Kerry Nessler, R.N., Associate Administrator, Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

### HORSE RACING WORKFORCE WELFARE

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Thoroughbred Horse Racing Jockeys and Workers: Examining On-Track Injury Insurance and Other Health and Welfare Issues.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### ANTHRAX PROTECTION

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing entitled “Anthrax Protection: Progress or Problems.” Testimony was heard from Keith Rhodes, Chief Technologist, Center for Technology and Engineering, Applied Research and Methods, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Ellen P. Embrey, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs, Force Health Protection and Readiness; and Jean Reed, Special Assistant to the Secretary, Chemical and Biological Defense Programs; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Gerald Parker, D.V.M., Deputy Assistant Secretary, Public Health Preparedness; and Richard Besser, M.D., Director, Office of Terrorism Preparedness and Emergency Response, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Susan Elizabeth George, Deputy Director, Biological Countermeasures Portfolio, Department of Homeland Security; and Dana Tulis, Deputy Director, Office of Emergency Management, EPA.

## OVERSIGHT—FEMA HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENT INTEGRATION

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Held an oversight hearing on proposed legislation to strengthen the Federal Emergency Management Agency and better integrate it into the Department. Testimony was heard from William O. Jenkins, Jr., Director, Homeland Security and Justice, GAO; and public witnesses.

## CONFERENCE REPORT TAX INCREASE PREVENTION AND RECONCILIATION ACT OF 2005

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4297, Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2005, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representative Camp.

## NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 5122, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Armed Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Armed Services.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report accompanying the resolution may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee Report. Finally, the rule provides, that after disposition of the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report, the Committee of the Whole shall rise without motion and no further con-

sideration of the bill shall be in order except by a subsequent order of the House. Testimony was heard from Chairman Hunter and Representatives Simmons, Shays, Castle, Lewis (KY), Mica, Chabot, Tom Davis (VA), Gutknecht, Dent, Gohmert, Skelton, Israel, Udall (CO), Capps, Tierney, Hoyer, Bishop (GA), Stupak, Woolsey, Jackson-Lee (TX), Schakowsky, Thompson (CA), Lynch, Schiff, Michaud.

## CORPORATE TAX REFORM

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Corporate Tax Reform. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2006

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the sugar provisions of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the missile defense program, 10 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to meet in closed session to discuss the current situation in Afghanistan, 5:45 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider the nomination of Dirk Kempthorne, of Idaho, to be Secretary of the Interior, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 906, to promote wildland firefighter safety, S. 2003, to make permanent the authorization for watershed restoration and enhancement agreements, H.R. 585, to require Federal land managers to support, and to communicate, coordinate, and cooperate with, designated gateway communities, to improve the ability of gateway communities to participate in Federal land management planning conducted by the Forest Service and agencies of the Department of the Interior, and to respond to the impacts of the public use of the Federal lands administered by these agencies, and H.R. 3981, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out certain land exchanges involving small parcels of National Forest System land in the Tahoe National Forest in the State of California, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine progress achieved and challenges ahead for America's child welfare system, 10 a.m., SD-215.