

in the eastern Gulf of Mexico planning area for any lands located outside Sale 181, as identified in the final Outer Continental Shelf 5-Year Oil and Gas Leasing Program, 1997–2002; and, no funds provided in this title may be expended by the Department of the Interior to conduct oil preleasing, leasing and related activities in the Mid-Atlantic and South Atlantic planning areas (by a recorded vote of 141 ayes to 279 noes, Roll No. 164);

**Pages H2812–15, H2843–44**

Beauprez amendment that sought to reduce the budget for the National Endowment for the Arts by \$30 million, and redirects the money to the Wildland Fire Management budget of the U.S. Forest Service (by a recorded vote of 112 ayes to 306 noes, Roll No. 166); and

**Pages H2818, H2845**

Hefley amendment (No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of May 17th) that sought to reduce funding by 1% across-the-board (by a recorded vote of 109 ayes to 312 noes, Roll No. 171).

**Pages H2868–69, H2871–72**

Withdrawn:

Putnam amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding (by transfer) by \$500,000 for State and Tribal Wildlife grants in order to direct attention to alligator control programs in Florida;

**Pages H2796–98, H2855**

Tancredo amendment (No. 8 printed in the Congressional Record of May 17th) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to strike language added in committee that would prevent the U.S. Geological Survey from consolidating four mapping centers into one central operations center;

**Pages H2802–05**

Conaway amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to strike section 104 from the bill. Section 104 prohibits use of funds for the conduct of offshore oil preleasing, leasing and related activities placed under restriction in the President's moratorium statement of June 12, 1998 in specified areas;

**Pages H2811–12, H2855–66**

Tiaht amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to prohibit any of the funds made available in the Act from being used to promulgate regulations without consideration of the effect of such regulations on the competitiveness of American businesses;

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Conaway amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to direct attention to EPA drinking water regulations for arsenic; and

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Dent amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to prohibit any funds made available in the Act from being used to implement, administer, or enforce section 20(b)(1) of

the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2719(b)(1)).

**Pages H2817, H2869–70**

Point of Order sustained against:

The Chair sustained the point of order raised against the content of the measure beginning on page 73, line 3 and ending on page 73, line 8 that constituted legislation in an appropriations bill;

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The Chair sustained the point of order raised against section 425, page 125, lines 3–25 stating that it constituted legislation in an appropriations bill in violation of clause 2 of rule XXI;

**Pages H2826–29**

The Chair sustained the point of order raised against section 501 stating that it violated clause 2b of rule XXI; and

**Pages H2829–30**

Obey amendment that sought to increase funding for various accounts with a tax offset.

**Pages H2817, H2869**

H. Res. 818, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 161, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 218 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 160.

**Pages H2765–73**

**Presidential Messages:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified the Congress of the continuation of the National Emergency with respect to Burma—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 109–110); and

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Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the Development Fund for Iraq, certain other property in which Iraq has an interest, and the Central Bank of Iraq—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 109–112).

**Pages H2873–74**

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H2834, H2891.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes and ten recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2772–73, H2773, H2774, H2843, H2843–44, H2844, H2845, H2845–46, H2846, H2870–71, H2871, H2871–72, H2872–73. There were no quorum calls.

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

## *Committee Meetings*

### NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND IMPLEMENTATION

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Held a hearing on No Child Left Behind: How Innovative Educators Are Integrating Subject Matter To Improve

Student Achievement. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **UNLOCKING AMERICA'S ENERGY RESOURCES**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled "Unlocking America's Energy Resources: Next Generation." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **STOCKHOLM AND ROTTERDAM TOXICS TREATY ACT OF 2005**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4591, Stockholm and Rotterdam Toxics Treaty Act of 2005.

#### **TRUTH IN CALLER ID ACT**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing on H.R. 5126, Truth in Caller ID Act of 2006. Testimony was heard from Tom Navin, Wireline Bureau Chief, FCC; and public witnesses.

#### **REFORM REQUIREMENTS FOR REPORTING CASH TRANSACTIONS**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on H.R. 5341, Seasoned Customer CTR Exemption Act of 2006. Testimony was heard from Robert W. Werner, Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury; Michael F.A. Morehart, Chief, Terrorist Financing Operations Section, FBI, Department of Justice; Kevin A. Delli-Colli, Deputy Assistant Director, Financial and Trade Investigations, Office of Investigations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

#### **MILITARY PERSONNEL FINANCIAL SERVICES**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Financial Services Needs of Military Personnel and Their Families." Testimony was heard from Valerie Melvin, Acting Director, Defense Capabilities and Management Team, GAO; and public witnesses.

#### **RESPOND ACT OF 2006; DC FAIR AND EQUAL HOUSE VOTING RIGHTS ACT**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 5316, as amended, RESPOND Act of 2006; and H.R. 5388, District of Columbia Fair and Equal House Voting Rights Act of 2006.

The Committee failed to report H.R. 5410, No Taxation Without Representation Act of 2006.

#### **HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL AND SECURITY CLEARANCES**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight held a hearing entitled "Retention, Security Clearances, Morale, and Other Human Capital Challenges Facing the Department of Homeland Security." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: K. Gregg Prillaman, Chief Human Capital Officer; and Dwight Williams, Director, Office of Security; Kathy L. Dillaman, Associate Director, Federal Investigations Processing Center, OPM; and public witnesses.

#### **DARFUR—PROSPECTS FOR PEACE**

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on the Prospects for Peace in Darfur. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Jendayi E. Frazer, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs; and Lloyd O. Pierson, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, U.S. Agency for International Development.

#### **NIGERIA'S STRUGGLE WITH CORRUPTION**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations held a hearing on Nigeria's Struggle with Corruption. Testimony was heard from Linda Thomas Greenfield, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

#### **SHOULDER-FIRED MISSILE THREAT REDUCTION ACT**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Terrorism and Nonproliferation approved for full Committee action H.R. 5333, Shoulder-fired Missile Threat Reduction Act of 2006.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; ANIMAL FIGHTING PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 5005, Firearms Corrections and Improvements Act; H.R. 1384, Firearm Commerce Modernization Act; H.R. 1415, NICS Improvement Act; and H.R. 5318, Cyber-Security Enhancement and Consumer Data Protection Act of 2006.

The Subcommittee also held a on H.R. 817, Animal Fighting Prohibition Enforcement Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## PHYSICIANS FOR UNDERSERVED AREAS ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims held a hearing on H.R. 4997, Physicians for Underserved Areas Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Moran of Kansas; Leslie G. Aronovitz, Director, Health Care, GAO; and public witnesses.

## OVERSIGHT—ALTERNATIVE FUELS FOR TRANSPORTATION

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on the Energy and Mineral Requirements for Renewable and Alternative Fuels Used for Transportation and Other Purposes. Testimony was heard from W. David Menzi, Chief, Minerals Information Team, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, MILITARY QUALITY OF LIFE AND VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2007

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

## OVERSIGHT—EPA GRANTS MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held an oversight hearing on EPA Grants Management 2003–2006: Progress and Challenge. Testimony was heard from John B. Stephenson, Director, National Resources and Environment, GAO; and the following officials of the EPA: Bill A. Roderick, Acting Inspector General; Luis A. Luna, Assistant Administrator, Office of Administration and Re-

sources Management; and Donald S. Welsh, Administrator, Region III.

## BRIEFING—DENIAL AND DECEPTION

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy met in executive session to receive a briefing on Denial and Deception. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 486)

H.R. 4297, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006. Signed on May 17, 2006. (Public Law 109–222)

H.J. Res. 83, to memorialize and honor the contribution of Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist. Signed on May 18, 2006. (Public Law 109–223)

S. 1382, to require the Secretary of the Interior to accept the conveyance of certain land, to be held in trust for the benefit of the Puyallup Indian tribe. Signed on May 18, 2006. (Public Law 109–224)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the National Institutes of Health, 8:30 a.m., SD–192.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Robert J. Portman, of Ohio, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Robert Irwin Cusick, Jr., of Kentucky, to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics, and David L. Norquist, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security, Time to be announced, S–207, Capitol.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, to mark up the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007, 8 a.m., H–140 Capitol.