

Colonel James Barrett Farm in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and assess the suitability and feasibility of including the farm in the National Park System as part of the Minute Man National Historical Park;

H.R. 482, to provide for a land exchange involving Federal lands in the Lincoln National Forest in the State of New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 486, to provide for a land exchange involving private land and Bureau of Land Management land in the vicinity of Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, for the purpose of removing private land from the required safety zone surrounding munitions storage bunkers at Holloman Air Force Base, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1492, to provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II, with amendments; and

H.R. 4000, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise certain repayment contracts with the Bostwick Irrigation District in Nebraska, the Kansas Bostwick Irrigation District No. 2, the Frenchman-Cambridge Irrigation District, and the Webster Irrigation District No. 4, all a part of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program.

#### PUBLIC LANDS

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 2466, to authorize and direct the exchange and conveyance of certain National Forest land and other land in southeast Arizona, S. 2788, to direct the exchange of certain land in Grand, San Juan, and Uintah Counties, Utah, and S. 2567, to maintain the rural heritage of the Eastern Sierra and enhance the region's tourism economy by designating certain public lands as wilderness and certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in the State of California, after receiving testimony from Senators Boxer, Bennett, and Kyl; Chad Calvert, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management; Joel Holtrop, Deputy Chief, Na-

tional Forest System, Department of Agriculture; Mayor Michael Hing, Superior, Arizona; John W. Andrews, Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, Salt Lake City; Bill Williams, Resolution Copper Company, Phoenix, Arizona; and Laura Kamala, Grand Canyon Trust, Castle Valley, Utah.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Gaddi H. Vasquez, of California, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, who was introduced by Senator Coleman, and John Clint Williamson, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues, Department of State, 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 R. David Paulison, of Florida, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Federal Emergency Management, after the nominee, who was introduced by Representative Shaw, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### NOMINATION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Andrew J. Guilford, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and Frank D. Whitney, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, who was introduced by Senators Dole and Burr, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 13 public bills, H.R. 5464–5476; and 7 resolutions, H.

Con. Res. 415–416; and H. Res. 837–41 were introduced.

**Pages H3225–26**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

**Pages H3226–27**

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

H. Res. 835, providing for consideration of the H.R. 5429, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish and implement a competitive oil and gas leasing program that will result in an environmentally sound program for the exploration, development, and production of the oil and gas resources of the Coastal Plain of Alaska, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–480); and

H. Res. 836, providing for consideration of the H.R. 5441, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 (H. Rept. 109–481). **Page H3225**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3141**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:04 a.m. for the purpose of receiving His Excellency Ehud Olmert, Prime Minister of Israel. The House reconvened at 12:45 p.m., and agreed that the proceedings had during the Joint Meeting be printed in the Record. **Pages H3141–45**

**Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Ehud Olmert, Prime Minister of Israel:** The House and Senate met in a joint session to receive His Excellency Ehud Olmert, Prime Minister of Israel. He was escorted into the Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Boehner, Blunt, Pryce of Ohio, Cantor, Reynolds, Shaw, DeLay, Ros-Lehtinen, Davis of Virginia, Price of Georgia, Pelosi, Hoyer, Clyburn, Lantos, Ackerman, Lowey, Waxman, Harman, Emanuel, and Berman; and Senators Frist, McConnell, Stevens, Santorum, Kyl, Specter, Coleman, Reid, Durbin, Stabenow, Leahy, Levin, Kohl, Lieberman, Feinstein, Boxer, Feingold, Wyden, Clinton, and Lautenberg. **Pages H3141–45**

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

*Safe and Timely Interstate Placement of Foster Children Act of 2006:* H.R. 5403, to improve protections for children and to hold States accountable for the safe and timely placement of children across State lines. **Pages H3149–54**

*Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2007:* H.R. 5427, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, by a yea-and-nay vote of 404 yeas to 20 nays, Roll No. 206. **Pages H3156–H3208, H3211–15**

Agreed to limit the number of amendments made in order for debate and the time limit for debate on each amendment. **Pages H3166–67**

Agreed to:

Millender-McDonald amendment to increase Energy Efficiency Programs by \$5 million; **Pages H3179–82**

Barton of Texas amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of May 23rd) to insert a new section at the end of the bill to prohibit any of the funds made available by the Act for the Nuclear Waste Fund from being used to carry out the Global Nuclear Energy Partnership program; **Pages H3183–84**

Visclosky amendment to prohibit any of the funds made available in the Act from being used in contravention of the Federal buildings performance and reporting requirements of Executive Order 13123, part 3 of title V of the National Energy Conservation Policy Act of 2005 (including the amendments made thereby); **Pages H3186–87**

Engel amendment to prohibit any of the funds made available by the act from being used in contravention of Section 303 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1992; **Pages H3191–92**

Deal amendment (No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of May 23rd) to strike section 110 from the bill. Section 110 prohibits use of funds in the bill to revise the master control plans and master manuals of the Corps of Engineers for the Alabama, Coosa, Tallapoosa River basin in Alabama and Georgia or the Apalachicola, Chattahoochee, Flint River Basin in Alabama, Georgia, and Florida (by a recorded vote of 216 yeas to 201 noes with 6 voting “Present”, Roll No. 196); **Pages H3171–74, H3192**

DeLauro amendment to restore the \$49.5 million level for State Energy Grants programs (by offset) (by a recorded vote of 217 yeas to 204 noes, Roll No. 198); **Pages H3177–79, H3193–94**

Andrews amendment to increase funding for the Global Threat Reduction Initiative by \$27.8 million (by a recorded vote of 227 yeas to 195 noes, Roll No. 199); **Pages H3182–83, H3194–95**

Inslee amendment to prohibit the use of funds from being made available by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to enforce any claim for a termination payment asserted by any regulated entity the Commission has found to have violated the terms of its market-based rate authority by engaging in manipulation of market rules or exercise of market power in the Western Interconnection during the period January 1, 2000, to June 20, 2001; **Pages H3197–98**

Rejected:

King of Iowa amendment that sought to prohibit any of the funds made available in the Act from being used for the Corps of Engineers to implement the Spring Rise, also known as the bimodal spring pulse releases, on the Missouri River; **Pages H3187–88**

Markey amendment that sought to reduce the funding level for the Global Nuclear Energy Partnership by \$40 million (by a recorded vote of 128 ayes to 295 noes, Roll No. 197); **Pages H3175–77, H3193**

Berkley amendment that sought to prohibit any of the funds made available by the Act from being used by the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management to administer the “Yucca Mountain Youth Zone” website (by a recorded vote of 147 ayes to 271 noes, Roll No. 200); **Pages H3184–85, H3195**

Markey amendment that sought to prohibit any of the funds made available by the Act from being used to carry out subtitle J of title IX of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16371 et seq.) (by a recorded vote of 161 ayes to 255 noes, Roll No. 201); **Pages H3185–86, H3195–96**

Flake amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds from being made available for the Research and Environmental Center at Mystic Aquarium, CT; **Pages H3201–02**

Flake amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds from being made available for the Southwest Gas Corporation GEDAC heat pump Development, NV; **Pages H3202–03**

Flake amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds from being made available for Center for End-of-Life Electronics, WV; **Pages H3203–04**

Flake amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds from being made available for the Missouri Forest Foundation; **Pages H3204–06**

Bishop of New York amendment that sought to prohibit any of the funds made available in the Act from being used by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to review the application for the Broadwater Energy proposal, dockets CP06–54–000, CP06–55–000, and CP06–56–000 (by a recorded vote of 164 ayes to 258 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 202); **Pages H3189–90, H3211–12**

Hefley amendment (No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of May 23rd) that sought to reduce by 1 percent each amount appropriated or otherwise made available by the Act that is not required to be appropriated or otherwise made available by a provision of law (by a recorded vote of 87 ayes to 338 noes, Roll No. 203); **Pages H3198–99, H3212**

Flake amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds from being made available for the Virginia Science Museum, VA (by a recorded vote of 64 ayes to 359 noes, Roll No. 204); and **Pages H3199–H3201, H3213**

Flake amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds from being made available for Juniata Ultra Low Emission Locomotive Demonstration, PA (by a recorded vote of 46 ayes to 372 noes, Roll No. 205). **Pages H3206–08, H3213–14**

Withdrawn:

Stupak amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn which sought to prohibit any of the funds made available in the Act from being used to implement a policy, proposed on pages V–5 and V–6 of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works Direct Program: Program Development Guidance for Fiscal Year 2007 (Circular No. 11–2–187), to use or consider the amount of tonnage of goods that pass through a harbor to determine if a harbor is high-use; **Pages H3188–89**

Lynch amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to direct the Secretary of Energy to develop a plan to cope with potential disruptions in the worldwide oil disruptions; and **Pages H3190–91**

Tiahrt amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that 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. **Page H3197**

Point of Order sustained against:

Visclosky amendment that sought to increase funding in the bill by \$1 billion for various projects. The increase would be offset by a reduction in the tax cut for taxpayers earning in excess of \$1 million in calendar year 2007; and **Pages H3167–70**

The proviso, (Sec. 102), beginning on page 12, line 8, and ending on page 12, line 15, sought to change existing law and constituted legislation in an appropriations bill. **Pages H3170–71**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H3215**

H. Res. 832, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 254 ayes to 165 noes, Roll No. 195, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 224 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 194. **Pages H3154–56**

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

*Respect for America's Fallen Heroes Act:* H.R. 5037, as amended by the Senate, 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. **Pages H3208–11**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3145.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 2803 was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce. **Page H3224**

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H3227–28.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and eleven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3155, H3155–56, H3192, H3193, H3193–94, H3194, H3195, H3195–96, H3211–12, H2312, H3213, H3213–14, and H3214–15. There were no quorum calls.

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

## Committee Meetings

### BORDER SECURITY—NATIONAL GUARD MISSION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on Border Security—Mission of the National Guard. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Paul McHale, Assistant Secretary, Homeland Defense; MG Richard J. Rowe, USA, Director, Operations, U.S. Northern Command; and LTG H. Steven Blum, USA, Chief, National Guard Bureau; and David Aguilar, Chief, Border Patrol, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Ordered reported the following bills: H. R. 5438, Public Health and Medical Emergency Coordination Act of 2006; H.R. 3997, amended, Financial Data Protection Act of 2006; and H. R. 5126, amended, Truth in Caller ID Act of 2006.

### VEHICLE AND FUELS TECHNOLOGY: NEXT GENERATION

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled “Vehicle and Fuels Technology: Next Generation.” Testimony was heard from Alexander A. Karsner, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Financial Services:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 5117, To exempt persons with disabilities from the prohibition against providing section 8 rental assistance to college students; H.R. 4127, amended, Data Accountability and Trust Act (DATA); H.R. 5341, amended, Seasoned Customer CTR Exemption Act of 2006; H.R. 3043, amended, Zero Downpayment Pilot Program Act of 2006; H.R. 5347, amended, HOPE VI Reauthorization Act of 2006; and H.R. 5121, amended, Expanding American Homeownership Act of 2006.

### '06 HURRICANE SEASON PREPAREDNESS

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing entitled “Getting Ready for the '06 Hurricane Season.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: George W. Foresman, Under Secretary, Preparedness; and Robert Shea, Acting Director, Operations, FEMA; MG Terry L. Scherling, USA, Director, Joint Staff, National Guard Bureau, Department of Defense; ADM W. Craig Vanderwagen, M.D., USN, Assistant Surgeon General, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

### RESOLUTION OF INQUIRY

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Ordered reported adversely, without amendment, H. Res. 809, Directing the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution documents in the Secretary's possession relating to any existing or previous agreement between the Department of Homeland Security and Shirlington Limousine and Transportation, Incorporated, of Arlington, Virginia.

### CFIUS REFORM

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Committee also held a hearing entitled “The Need for CFIUS Reform to Address Homeland Security Concerns.” Testimony was heard from Representatives Blunt and Maloney; Clay Lowery, Assistant Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury; Stewart Baker, Assistant Secretary, Policy, Planning, and International Affairs, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

### CHIEF INTELLIGENCE OFFICER PROGRESS

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing, and Terrorism Risk Assessment held a hearing entitled “Examining the Progress of the DHS Chief Intelligence Officer.” Testimony was heard from Charles E. Allen, Chief Intelligence Officer, Office of Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property, approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1458, as amended, To require any Federal or State court to recognize any notarization made by a notary public licensed by a State other than the State where the court is located when such notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce; H.R. 5440, Federal Courts Jurisdiction Clarification Act of 2006; and H.R. 5439, Orphan Works Act of 2006.