

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 5 public bills, H.R. 5632–5636; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 89; and H. Res. 872–876 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Report were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5631, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 (H. Rept. 109–504); and

H.R. 4890, to amend the Congressional and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide for the expedited consideration of certain proposed rescissions of budget authority, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–505, Part I).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Gillmor to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Declaring that the United States will prevail in the Global War on Terror, the struggle to protect freedom from the terrorist adversary: The House agreed to H. Res. 861, to declare that the United States will prevail in the Global War on Terror, the struggle to protect freedom from the terrorist adversary, by a yea-and-nay vote of 256 yeas to 153 nays with 5 voting “present”, Roll No. 288. Consideration of the measure began on yesterday, Thursday, June 15th.

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H. Res. 868, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on yesterday, Thursday, June 15th, by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 287, after ordering the previous question without objection.

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

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, June 19th; for Morning Hour debate; and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20, 2006, for Morning Hour debate.

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Agreed by unanimous consent to H. Res. 872, removing a Member from the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors: The Chair announced the Speaker’s reappointment of the following member on the part of the House to the Election Assistance Commission Board

of Advisors for a term of two years: Mr. Thomas A. Fuentes, Lake Forest, California.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4173–74. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:16 p.m.

Committee Meetings

D.C. DISABLED SERVICES

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Disabled Services in the District of Columbia: Who is Protecting the Rights of D.C.’s Most Vulnerable Residents?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Robert C. Bobb, Deputy Mayor/City Manager; and Brenda Donald Walker, Deputy Mayor, Children, Youth, Families and Elders; and public witnesses.

SYNTHETIC DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing entitled “Evaluating the Synthetic Drug Control Strategy.” Testimony was heard from Scott Burns, Deputy Director, State and Local Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Uttam Dhillon, Director, Office of Counter-Narcotics Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; Joseph Rannazzisi, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, DEA, Department of Justice; Don Young, Assistant Secretary, Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

SCREENING APPLIED FAIRLY AND EQUITABLE TO TRUCKERS ACT OF 2006

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection and Cybersecurity held a hearing on H.R. 5604, SAFE Truckers Act of 2006. Testimony was heard from Robert Jamison, Deputy Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, , p. D 643)

H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006. Signed on June 15, 2006. (Public Law 109–234)

S. 193, to increase the penalties for violations by television and radio broadcasters of the prohibitions against transmission of obscene, indecent, and profane language. Signed on June 15, 2006. (Public Law 109–235)

S. 2803, to amend the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 to improve the safety of mines and mining. Signed on June 15, 2006. (Public Law 109–236)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 19 through June 24, 2006

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 2766, National Defense Authorization; at 4 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Sandra Segal Ikuta, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, with a vote on confirmation to occur thereon at 5 p.m.

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

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: June 20, to hold hearings to examine the Rural Development Programs of the Department of Agriculture, 10:30 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Armed Services: June 19, closed business meeting to consider S. 3237, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, 6 p.m., S–407, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: June 20, to hold hearings to examine the reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 10 a.m., SD–538.

June 20, Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine issues for the future relating to the Federal Housing Administration, 2:30 p.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: June 20, business meeting to mark up S. 3521, to establish a new budget process to create a comprehensive plan to rein in spending, reduce the deficit, and regain control of the Federal budget process, 10 a.m., SD–608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: June 21, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine, to hold hearings to examine economics, service, and capacity in the freight railroad industry, 10 a.m., SD–562.

June 21, Subcommittee on Technology, Innovation, and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine accelerating the adoption of health information technology, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.

June 22, Subcommittee on Trade, Tourism, and Economic Development, to hold hearings to examine the state of the U.S. tourism industry, 10 a.m., SD–562.

June 22, Full Committee, business meeting to mark up S. 2686, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 and for other purposes, 2 p.m., Room to be announced.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: June 19, to hold hearings to examine implementation of the Renewable Fuel Standard in the 2005 Energy Bill and the future potential of biofuels such as biodiesel, cellulosic ethanol, and E85, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

June 20, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine the National Park Service's Revised Draft Management Policies, including potential impact of the policies on park operations, park resources, wilderness areas, recreation, and interaction with gateway communities, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

June 21, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Philip D. Moeller, of Washington, and Jon Wellingshoff, of Nevada, each to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 11:30 a.m., SD–366.

June 21, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine the Government Accountability Office report entitled "Wildland Fire Suppression—Lack of Clear Guidance Raises Concerns about Cost Sharing between Federal and Nonfederal entities" (GAO–06–570), 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

June 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 2747, to enhance energy efficiency and conserve oil and natural gas, 10 a.m., SD–366.

June 22, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 574, to amend the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 to increase the authorization of appropriations and modify the date on which the authority of the Secretary of the Interior terminates under the Act, S. 1387, to provide for an update of the Cultural Heritage and Land Management Plan for the John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor, to extend the authority of the John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission, to authorize the undertaking of a special resource study of sites and landscape features within the Corridor, and to authorize additional appropriations for the Corridor, S. 1721, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the authorization for certain national heritage areas, S. 2037, to establish the Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, and S. 2645, to establish the Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: June 21, to hold hearings to examine safer technology in the context of chemical site security, 9:30 a.m., SD–628.

June 22, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety, to hold oversight hearings to examine