

Lauren M. Maddox, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Communications and Outreach, Department of Education.

Daniel Meron, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Health and Human Services (Recess Appointment).

Paul DeCamp, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor (Recess Appointment).

Jovita Carranza, of Illinois, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

7 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—239) **Page S9082, S9089, S9094, S9098**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:59 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, September 8, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9216.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security concluded a hearing to examine preparedness 1 year after Hurricane Katrina, after receiving testimony from Admiral Thad W. Allen, Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, George W. Foresman, Under Secretary for Preparedness, R. David Paulison, Under Secretary for Federal Emergency Management, all of the Department of Home-

land Security; Ellis M. Stanley, Los Angeles Emergency Preparedness Department, California; and Bruce Baughman, National Emergency Management Association, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

Extradition Treaty Between the United States of America and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and related exchanges of letters, signed at Washington on March 31, 2003 (Treaty Doc. 108–23), and;

The nominations of Richard E. Hoagland, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Armenia, John C. Rood, of Arizona, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for International Security and Non-Proliferation, Cesar Benito Cabrera, of Puerto Rico, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles, Cindy Lou Courville, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the African Union, with the rank of Ambassador, Donald C. Johnson, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Mary Martin Ourisman, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Barbados, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Antigua and Barbuda, the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, and Ronald Allen Tschetter, of Minnesota, to be Director of the Peace Corps.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine Information Technology projects at risk, focusing on why \$12 billion in projects is being funded and what OMB is doing to ensure success, as well as GAO's recommendations in these areas, after receiving testimony from Karen Evans, Administrator, Electronic Government and Information Technology, Office of Management and Budget; and David A. Powner, Director, Information Technology Management Issues, Government Accountability Office.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 1442, to complete the codification of title 46, United States Code, "Shipping", as positive law;

H.R. 866, to make technical corrections to the United States Code; and

The nomination of George E.B. Holding, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Department of Justice.

Also, Committee began consideration S. 3001, to ensure that all electronic surveillance of United States persons for foreign intelligence purposes is conducted pursuant to individualized court-issued orders, to streamline the procedures of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, agreeing to an amendment in the nature of a substitute, and resumed consideration of S. 2453, to establish procedures for the review of electronic surveillance programs, but did not take final action on either measure, and recessed subject to call.

VISA WAIVER PROGRAM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security concluded a hearing to examine strategies for pre-screening international airline passengers before takeoff, to prevent terrorists from entering the U.S. and posing a threat to international air travel, focusing on the Visa Waiver Program, including how the Department of Homeland Security can strengthen its ability to assess and mitigate the program's risks, such as providing more resources to the program's monitoring unit and issuing standards for the reporting of lost and stolen passport data, after receiving testimony from Paul S. Rosenzweig, Counselor to the Assistant Secretary for Policy, and Jayson P. Ahern, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, both of the Department of Homeland Security; Jess T. Ford, Director, International Affairs and Trade, Government Accountability Office; and Leon J. Laylagian, Passenger-Cargo Security Group, Washington, D.C.

TRAUMATIC INJURY INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the traumatic injury insurance coverage for members of the Uniformed Services, focusing on the structure and implementation of the Traumatic Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance program, after receiving testimony from Michael L. Dominguez, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; Thomas M. Lastowka, Director, VA Regional Office and Insurance Center, Department of Veterans Affairs; Sergeant John P. Keith, Jr., U.S. Army; and Jeremy Chwat, Wounded Warrior Project, Roanoke, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

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

Committee recessed subject to the call.

GUARDIANSHIP SYSTEM

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the current state of America's ailing guardianship system relating to exploitation of seniors, focusing on what state courts do to ensure that guardians fulfill their responsibilities, what exemplary guardianship programs look like, and how state and Federal agencies work together to protect incapacitated elderly people, after receiving testimony from Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; Mel Grossman, Administrative Judge, Florida 17th Circuit Court, Ft. Lauderdale; Carol J. Scott, Missouri State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, Jefferson City; Terry W. Hammond, National Guardianship Association, El Paso, Texas; and Ira Salzman, Goldfarb, Abrandt, Salzman, and Kutzin LLP, New York, New York.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 6039–6048; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 94, and H. Res. 985–992, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. William A. Watson, Jr., Pastor, St. John's Baptist Church, Westbury, New York.

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John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007—Motion to go to Conference: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment and agreed to a conference on H.R. 5122, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for