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AMERICAN LEGION

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the legislative presentation of the American Legion, after receiving testimony from

Paul A. Morin, American Legion, Washington, D.C., who was accompanied by several of his associates.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 6113–6129; and 11 resolutions, H. Res. 1017, 1019–1028 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1018, providing for consideration of H.R. 4830, to amend chapter 27 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the unauthorized construction, financing, or reckless permitting (on one's land) the construction or use of a tunnel or subterranean passageway between the United States and another country; for consideration of H.R. 6094, to restore the Secretary of Homeland Security's authority to detain dangerous aliens, to ensure the removal of deportable criminal aliens, and combat alien gang crime; and for consideration of H.R. 6095, to affirm the inherent authority of State and local law enforcement to assist in the enforcement of immigration laws, to provide for effective prosecution of alien smugglers, and to reform immigration litigation procedures (H. Rept. 109–671).

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Donald W. Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington.

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Federal Election Integrity Act of 2006: The House passed H.R. 4844, amended, to amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to require any individual who desires to register or re-register to vote in an election for Federal office to provide the appropriate State election official with proof that the individual is a citizen of the United States to prevent fraud in Federal elections, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 228 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 459.

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require each individual who desires to vote in an elec-

tion for Federal office to provide the appropriate election official with a government-issued photo identification, and for other purposes." **Page H6785**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute as reported by the Committee on House Administration shall be considered as adopted. **Page H6785**

Rejected Ms. Millender-McDonald motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on House Administration with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 196 yeas to 225 nays, Roll No. 458. **Pages H6782–85**

Earlier, Representative McDermott raised a point of order against consideration of H. Res. 1015 pursuant to section 426 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 dealing with unfunded mandates. Representative McDermott then identified the language in the resolution on which he based the point of order. Subsequently and pursuant to section 426(b)(3) of the Act, the House agreed to consider the resolution by a yeas-and-nays vote of 213 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 454. **Pages H6742–45**

H. Res. 1015, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 223 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 456, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yeas-and-nays vote of 222 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 455. **Pages H6755–56**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on yesterday, Tuesday, September 19th:

Recognizing the centennial anniversary on August 5, 2006, of the Iranian constitution of 1906: H. Res. 942, to recognize the centennial anniversary on August 5, 2006, of the Iranian constitution of 1906, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 413 yeas to 2 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 457; and

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Condemning human rights abuses by the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran and expressing solidarity with the Iranian people: H. Res. 976, to condemn human rights abuses by the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran and expressing solidarity with the Iranian people, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 408 yeas to 10 nays with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 460; **Page H6786**

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

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Act: H.R. 5450, amended, to provide for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; **Pages H6757–65**

Wichita Project Equus Beds Division Authorization Act of 2005: S. 1025, to amend the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the construction of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, Kansas”, to authorize the Equus Beds Division of the Wichita Project—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H6793–94**

Tylersville Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act: H.R. 4957, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Tylersville division of the Lamar National Fish Hatchery and Fish Technology Center to the State of Pennsylvania; **Pages H6794–97**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Tylersville division of the Lamar National Fish Hatchery and Fish Technology Center to the State of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes.”. **Page H6797**

Partners for Fish and Wildlife Act: S. 260, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide technical and financial assistance to private landowners to restore, enhance, and manage private land to improve fish and wildlife habitats through the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H6797–99**

City of Oxnard Water Recycling and Desalination Act of 2005: H.R. 2334, amended, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of permanent facilities for the GREAT project to reclaim, reuse, and treat impaired waters water in the area of Oxnard, California; **Pages H6799–H6800**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of permanent facilities for

the GREAT project to reclaim, reuse, and treat impaired waters in the area of Oxnard, California.”. **Page H6800**

Repealing a prohibition on the use of certain funds for tunneling in certain areas with respect to the Los Angeles to San Fernando Valley Metro Rail project, California: H.R. 4653, to repeal a prohibition on the use of certain funds for tunneling in certain areas with respect to the Los Angeles to San Fernando Valley Metro Rail project, California; **Pages H6804–05**

Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act of 2006: H.R. 3858, amended, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to ensure that State and local emergency preparedness operational plans address the needs of individuals with household pets and service animals following a major disaster or emergency. The House agreed to the Senate amendment—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H6806–08**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 777 Corporation Street in Beaver, Pennsylvania, as the “Robert Linn Memorial Post Office Building”: H.R. 4768, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 777 Corporation Street in Beaver, Pennsylvania, as the “Robert Linn Memorial Post Office Building”; **Pages H6808–09**

Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission Act of 2005: H.R. 4586, amended, to extend the authorization of the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission; and **Pages H6809–10**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To extend the life of the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission.”. **Page H6810**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Cooper Street in Babylon, New York, as the “Jacob Fletcher Post Office Building”: H.R. 5664, amended, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Cooper Street in Babylon, New York, as the “Jacob Fletcher Post Office Building”. **Pages H6810–12**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Cooper Street in Babylon, New York, as the “Jacob Samuel Fletcher Post Office Building”.”. **Page H6812**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further consideration of the measures is expected to resume at a later date.

Military Personnel Financial Services Protection Act: S. 418, to protect members of the Armed Forces

from unscrupulous practices regarding sales of insurance, financial, and investment products; and

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Appalachian Regional Development Act Amendments of 2006: S. 2832, to reauthorize and improve the program authorized by the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

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Commission Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Ney wherein he resigned from the Franking Commission, effective today.

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Discharge Petition: Representative Doggett moved to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of H. Res. 987, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 147) to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (Discharge Petition No. 15).

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appear on pages H6822–23.

Senate Referral: S. 1035 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H6745, H6755, H6756, H6756–57, H6784–85, H6785 and H6786. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM POLICY

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review Federal Farm Policy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; SUBPOENAS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, the following measures to be introduced: the National Institutes of Health Reform Act of 2006; and the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act of 2006.

The Committee ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 5533, amended, Biodefense and Pandemic Vaccine and Drug Development Act of 2006; H.R. 3248, amended, Lifespan Respite Care Act of 2005; H.R. 971, To extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects in Connecticut; S. 176, To extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska; S. 244, To extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming; H.R. 4377, To extend the time required for con-

struction of a hydroelectric project; and H.R. 4417, To provide for the reinstatement of a license for a certain Federal Energy Regulatory project.

The Committee also approved a resolution authorizing the issuance of subpoenas in connection with the Committee's investigation into data brokering, including its investigation into the Hewlett-Packard situation, and related matters; and a resolution authorizing the issuance of subpoenas in connection with the Committee's investigation into the sexual exploitation of children over the Internet, and related matters.

STATE REGULATION OF INSURER INVESTMENTS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled "Improving Transparency in State Regulation of Insurer Investments." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FUTURE NUCLEAR PLANTS AND HYDROGEN PRODUCTION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy and Resources held a hearing entitled "The Next Generation Nuclear Plant and Hydrogen Production: A Critical Status Report." Testimony was heard from Jim Wells, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL COMPENSATION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization held a hearing entitled "Executive and Judicial Compensation in the Federal Government (Quadrennial Commission)." Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller General; D. Brock Hornby, Judge, U.S. District Court, District of Maine, and Chairman, Judicial Branch, Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States; Philip M. Pro, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, District of Nevada; Sean O'Keefe, former Administrator, NASA; and a public witness.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federalism and the Census held a hearing entitled "Historic Preservation and Community Development: Why Cities and Towns Should Look to the Past as the Key to Their Future." Testimony was heard from John Fowler, Executive Director, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation; Janet Snyder Matthews, Associate Director, Cultural Resources, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Edward Sanderson, Executive Director; Historical