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A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, September 29, 2006.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:39 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 28, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10346.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

RIOT CONTROL AGENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded open and closed hearings to examine United States policy and practice with respect to the use of riot control agents by the U.S. Armed Forces, after receiving testimony from Joseph A. Benkert, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy; and Brigadier General Otis G. Mannon, USAF, Deputy Director for Special Operations, J-3, The Joint Staff.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Christopher A. Padilla, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, and Bijan Rafiekian, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3718, to increase the safety of swimming pools and spas by requiring the use of proper anti-entrapment drain covers and pool and spa drainage systems, by establishing a swimming pool safety grant program administered by the Consumer Product Safety Commission to encourage States to improve their pool and spa safety laws and to educate the public about pool and spa safety, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 3675, to amend the Federal Trade Commission Act to increase civil penalties for violations involving unfair or deceptive acts or practices that exploit popular reaction to an emergency or major disaster, and to authorize the Federal Trade Commission to seek civil penalties for such violations in actions brought under section 13 of that Act;

S. 2751, to strengthen the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's drought monitoring and forecasting capabilities;

S. 529, to designate a United States Anti-Doping Agency, with an amendment;

The nominations of David H. Pryor, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Charles Darwin Snelling, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Chris Boskin, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Cynthia A. Glassman, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs, Sharon Lynn Hays, of Virginia, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, Calvin L. Scovel, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Transportation, Collister Johnson, Jr., of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, and certain promotion and routine lists in the Coast Guard.

LANDS LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 3000, to grant rights-of-way for electric transmission lines over certain Native allotments in the State of Alaska, S. 3599, to establish the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument in the State of New Mexico, S. 3794, to provide for the implementation of the Owyhee Initiative Agreement, S. 3854, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, H.R. 3603, to promote the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System lands and other public lands in central Idaho, to designate the Boulder-White Cloud Management Area to ensure the continued management of certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands for recreational and grazing use and conservation and resource protection, to add certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands in central Idaho to the National Wilderness Preservation System, and H.R. 5025, to protect for future generations the recreational opportunities, forests, timber, clean water, wilderness and scenic values, and diverse habitat of Mount Hood National Forest, Oregon, after receiving testimony from Senator Crapo; Representatives Simpson, Blumenauer, and Walden; Chad Calvert, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management; Mark Rey, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment; Adrian P. Hunt, New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science, Albuquerque; Fred Huff, Las Cruces Four Wheel Drive Club, Las Cruces, New Mexico; Rick Johnson, Idaho Conservation League, Grant Simonds, Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association, Brett William Madron, Idaho Trail Machine Association, and Russ Heughins, Idaho Wildlife Federation, all of Boise; Cliff Hansen, Custer County, Carole King, and Amanda Mathews, all of Stanley, Idaho; Fred Kelly Grant, Owyhee Initiative Working Group, Nampa, Idaho; Mike Webster, Idaho Cattle Association, Roberts; Brian Maguire, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers, and Jay Ward, Oregon Natural Resources Council, both of Portland, Oregon; and Jill Van Winkle, International Mountain Bicycling Association, Hood River, Oregon, on behalf of the Oregon Mountain Bike Alliance.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of John K. Veroneau, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the Rank of Ambassador, and Robert K. Steel, of Connecticut, to be an Under Secretary of the Department of the Treasury.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Frank Baxter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, who was introduced by Senator McConnell, and Charles L. Glazer, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador, who was introduced by Senator Allen, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

DIABETES CARE

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine new technologies to improve care for people with diabetes and reduce the burden on the health care system, focusing on the development of an artificial pancreas, including biomedical research and other issues that are important to diabetes patients and their families, after receiving testimony from Griffin P. Rodgers, Acting Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Chris Dudley, The Dudley Foundation, Portland, Oregon; Arnold W. Donald, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International, New York, New York; and Caroline K. Sweeney, Gray, Maine.

U.S. REFUGEE POLICY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship concluded an oversight hearing to examine United States refugee admissions and policy, after receiving testimony from Ellen Sauerbrey, Assistant Secretary of State for Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration; Jonathan R. Scharfen, Deputy Director, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security; and Michael J. Horowitz, Hudson Institute, and Father Kenneth Gavin, Refugee Council USA and Jesuit Refugee Service/USA, both of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Robert T. Howard, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Information and Technology.

INTELLIGENCE

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