

Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; and Andrew Castaldi, Swiss Re-insurance America Corporation, Wilton, Connecticut.

IMPLEMENTING POSTAL REFORM

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded an oversight hearing to examine the current state of the Postal Service along with the efforts underway to implement the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (Public Law 109-435), including the Postal Service's financial condition in fiscal year 2007, the opportunities and challenges facing the Service, and major issues and areas for Congressional oversight, after receiving testimony from John E. Potter, Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer, United States Postal Service; Dan G. Blair, Chairman, Postal Regulatory Commission; and Katherine Siggerud, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Jus-

tice, after receiving testimony from Alberto R. Gonzales, Attorney General, Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

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

BIODIDENTICAL HORMONES

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine bioidentical hormones, focusing on menopausal hormone therapy using conjugated equine estrogens and other forms of estrogen therapy, after receiving testimony from Jacques Rossouw, Chief, Women's Health Initiative Branch, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health, and Steven K. Galson, Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Eileen Harrington, Deputy Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; JoAnn E. Manson, Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts; Leonard Wartofsky, Endocrine Society, Chevy Chase, Maryland; Loyd V. Allen, Jr., International Journal of Pharmaceutical Compounding, Sugar Land, Texas; T. S. Wiley, Santa Barbara, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 38 public bills, H.R. 1937-1974; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 120-121; and H. Res. 322-325 were introduced. **Pages H3693-95**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3695-96**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: Supplemental report on H.R. 493, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment (H. Rept. 110-28, Pt. 4). **Page H3693**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, April 20th. **Page H3563**

Providing for the treatment of the District of Columbia as a Congressional district for purposes of representation in the House of Representatives: The House passed H.R. 1905, to provide for the treatment of the District of Columbia

as a Congressional district for purposes of representation in the House of Representatives, by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 177 noes, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 231. **Pages H3568, H3593-94**

Rejected the Smith (TX) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 193 yeas to 227 nays, Roll No. 230. **Pages H3591-93**

H. Res. 317, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1905 and H.R. 1906, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 229, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 228. **Pages H3568, H3576-77**

Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to adjust the estimated tax payment safe harbor based on income for the preceding year in the case of individuals with adjusted gross income greater than \$5 million: The House passed H.R. 1906, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986

to adjust the estimated tax payment safe harbor based on income for the preceding year in the case of individuals with adjusted gross income greater than \$5 million, by a ye-and-nay vote of 216 yeas to 203 nays, Roll No. 232. **Pages H3594–H3600**

H. Res. 317, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1905 and H.R. 1906, was agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 229, after agreeing to order the previous question by a ye-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 228. **Pages H3568, H3576–77**

Water Resources Development Act of 2007: The House passed H.R. 1495, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, by a ye-and-nay vote of 394 yeas to 25 nays, Roll No. 234. **Pages H3566–68, H3600–65**

Rejected the Walden (OR) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a ye-and-nay vote of 194 yeas to 226 nays, Roll No. 233. **Pages H3663–64**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure now printed in the bill shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of amendment. **Pages H3609–50**

Agreed to:

Oberstar modified manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 110–100) that authorizes and modifies several Corps of Engineers' projects and studies for flood control, navigation, and environmental restoration; **Pages H3650–57**

Boswell amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 110–100) that provides the Rathbun Regional Water Association with a right of first refusal to purchase water supply storage from the Corps of Engineers at Rathbun Lake, Iowa; **Page H3657**

Stupak amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 110–100) that ensures that all harbor maintenance is funded based on FY2004 standards, regardless of the amount of tonnage a harbor handles; **Pages H3657–59**

Blumenauer amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 110–100) that strikes section 2036 of the legislation and replace it with language directing the Secretary of the Army to update the principles and guidelines that the Army Corps of Engineers uses in the formulation, evaluation, and implementation of water resources projects, and requires the Secretary to consult with other agencies and the public in developing the new principles and guidelines; and **Pages H3659–61**

Kirk modified amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 110–100) that adds a new paragraph relating to an aquatic ecosystem restoration project in Lake County, Illinois. **Pages H3661–63**

H. Res. 319, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1495, was agreed to by voice vote, after agreeing to order the previous question.

U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007—Motion to go to Conference: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1591, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and agreed to a conference. **Pages H3665–72**

Agreed to the Lewis (CA) motion to instruct conferees on the bill by a ye-and-nay vote of 215 yeas to 199 nays, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 235. **Pages H3665–72**

Appointed as conferees: Representatives Obey, DeLauro, Murtha, Visclosky, Lowey, Price (NC), Dicks, Edwards, Mollohan, Olver, Serrano, Wasserman Schultz, Clyburn, Lewis (CA), Young (FL), Rogers (KY), Wolf, Walsh, Hobson, Knollenberg, Kingston, Frelinghuysen, and Wicker. **Page H3672**

Supplemental Report: Agreed that the Committee on Energy and Commerce be permitted to file a supplemental report on H.R. 493, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment. **Page H3672**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 323, electing the following Members of the House of Representatives to serve on the Committee on Foreign Affairs: Representative Gene Green (TX), to rank immediately after Representative Tanner, and Representative Crowley, to rank immediately after Representative Hinojosa. **Page H3673**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3563.

Senate Referral: S. Con. Res. 28 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs. **Page H3691**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven ye-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3576, H3576–77, H3592–93, H3593, H3599–H3600, H3664, H3665, H3671–72. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FARM BILL CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy and Research held a hearing to review USDA Farm Bill conservation programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies continued hearings on Food Safety and Inspection Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Richard Raymond, Under Secretary, Food Safety; David Goldman, Acting Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service; and W. Scott Steele, Budget Officer.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on U.S. Special Operations—Command. Testimony was heard from GEN Doug Brown, Combatant Commander, Department of Defense.

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing on the GAO. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: David Walker, Comptroller General; Gene Dodaro, Chief Operating Officer; and Sallyanne Harper, Chief Administrative Officer.

STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs held a hearing on Public Diplomacy and Broadcasting Programs. Testimony was heard from Karen Hughes, Under Secretary, Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs, Department of State.

INTELLIGENCE/RECONNAISSANCE BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2008 National Defense Authorization Budget Request, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles and Intelligence, Surveil-

lance, and Reconnaissance capabilities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Davi M. D'Agostino, and Sharon L. Pickup, both Directors, Defense Capabilities and Management Issues; and Michael J. Sullivan, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management Issues; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: Joe Landon, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Command, Control, Communication, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance; BG Walt Davis, USA, Commander, Joint Unmanned Aircraft Systems Center of Excellence; LTG David A. Deptula, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance, U.S. Air Force; MG Jeffrey A. Sorenson, USA, Deputy, Acquisition and Systems Management, Office of the Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology); RADM Bruce W. Clingan, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Deputy Director, Air Warfare; and BG Randolph Alles, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Warfighting Lab.

NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE—RENEWING THE SPIRIT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities held a hearing on Renewing the Spirit of National and Community Service. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SPY ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 964, Securely Protect Yourself Against Cyber Trespass Act.

DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS OUTLOOK

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, continued hearings entitled "Digital Future of the United States: Part III: Spectrum Opportunities and the Future of Wireless." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FHA REFORM

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled "The Expanding American Homeownership Act of 2007: H.R. 1852, to modernize and update the National Housing Act and enable the Federal Housing Administration to use risk-based pricing to more effectively reach underserved borrowers; and related FHA Modernization Issues. Testimony was heard from Brian D. Montgomery, Assistant Secretary, Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.