

and Environmental Studies, New Haven, Connecticut; Vickie Patton, Environmental Defense, Boulder, Colorado; and Roger O. McClellan, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

CARRIED INTERESTS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the federal income tax treatment of carried interests, the right to receive a percentage of private equity, venture capital, hedge funds, or similar investment profits without an obligation to contribute capital to the fund, focusing on current taxation of carried interests, the use of carried interests by both small and large partnerships in industries as diverse as real estate and natural resources, and the similarity of the current tax treatment for carried interests and other analogous areas, after receiving testimony from Eric Solomon, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy; Peter R. Orszag, Director, Congressional Budget Office; Andrew J. Donohue, Director, Division of Investment Management, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Kate D. Mitchell, Scale Venture Partners, Foster City, California; and Mark P. Gergen, University of Texas School of Law, Austin.

INSPECTORS GENERAL

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine

ways to strengthen the unique role of the Nation's Inspectors General, after receiving testimony from Clay Johnson III, Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget; Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General, Department of Justice; Earl E. Devaney, Inspector General, Department of the Interior; Eleanor Hill, King and Spalding, LLP; and Danielle Brian, Project on Government Oversight (POGO), Washington, D.C.

PRESERVING PROSECUTORIAL INDEPENDENCE (PART VI)

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee continued hearings to examine the Department of Justice politicizing the hiring and firing of United States Attorneys, focusing on preserving prosecutorial independence (Part VI), receiving testimony from Sara M. Taylor, former Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of Political Affairs for the White House.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 2989–3008; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 535–539, were introduced. **Pages H7655–56**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H7656–57**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2900, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and for medical devices and to enhance the postmarket authorities of the Food and Drug Administration with respect to the safety of drugs (H. Rept. 110–225);

H. Res. 533, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2956) to require the Secretary of Defense to commence the reduction of the number of United States Armed Forces in Iraq to a limited presence by April 1, 2008 (H. Rept. 110–226);

H. Res. 534, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1851) to reform the housing choice

voucher program under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (H. Rept. 110–227);

H.R. 1144, to waive the non-Federal share of the cost of certain disaster assistance provided in connection with Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, with amendments (H. Rept. 110–228);

H.R. 781, to redesignate Lock and Dam No. 5 of the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System near Redfield, Arkansas, authorized by the Rivers and Harbors Act approved July 24, 1946, as the “Colonel Charles D. Maynard Lock and Dam” (H. Rept. 110–229); and

H.R. 735, to designate the Federal building under construction at 799 First Avenue in New York, New York, as the “Ronald H. Brown United States Mission to the United Nations Building” (H. Rept. 110–230). **Page H7654**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Dr. Calvin V. French, Pastor Emeritus, Community of Christ Church, Washington, DC.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, July 10th:

Supporting home ownership and responsible lending: H. Res. 526, to support home ownership and responsible lending, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 411 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 609;

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Providing for the extension of transitional medical assistance (TMA) and the abstinence education program through the end of fiscal year 2007: S. 1701, to provide for the extension of transitional medical assistance (TMA) and the abstinence education program through the end of fiscal year 2007, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 291 yeas to 126 nays, Roll No. 610—clearing the measure for the President; and

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Foreign Investment and National Security Act of 2007: Concur in Senate amendment to H.R. 556, to ensure national security while promoting foreign investment and the creation and maintenance of jobs, to reform the process by which such investments are examined for any effect they may have on national security, and to establish the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 370 yeas to 45 nays, Roll No. 614—clearing the measure for the President.

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Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, July 10th:

Eightmile Wild and Scenic River Act: H.R. 986, amended, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Eightmile River in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 173 nays, Roll No. 615 and

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Providing for a feasibility study of alternatives to augment the water supplies of the Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and cities served by the District: H.R. 1337, amended, to provide for a feasibility study of alternatives to augment the water supplies of the Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and cities served by the District, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 208 yeas to 211 nays, Roll No. 616.

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College Cost Reduction Act of 2007: The House passed H.R. 2669, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 601 of the concurrent resolution on

the budget for fiscal year 2008, by a recorded vote of 273 yeas to 149 noes, Roll No. 613.

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Rejected the Roskam motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the same back to the House promptly with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 199 yeas to 223 noes, Roll No. 612.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 110–224, shall be considered as adopted.

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Rejected:

McKeon amendment in the nature of a substitute (printed in part B of H. Rept. 110–224) that sought to reduce subsidies in the loan programs and to invest the majority of the savings in the Pell Grant program by providing increases of \$350 in 2008 and \$100 each year thereafter. The amendment also provided a plan for improved consumer information and public accountability with respect to college costs (by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 189 yeas to 231 nays, Roll No. 611).

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 531, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 608, after agreeing to order the previous question by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 607.

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National Historical Publications and Records Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Larson (CT) to the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

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

SSI Extension for Elderly and Disabled Refugees Act: H.R. 2608, to amend section 402 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to provide, in fiscal years 2008 through 2010, extensions of supplemental security income for refugees, asylees, and certain other humanitarian immigrants, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code to collect unemployment compensation debts resulting from fraud;

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Recognizing the month of November as "National Homeless Youth Awareness Month": H. Res. 527, to recognize the month of November as "National Homeless Youth Awareness Month";

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Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act of 2007: H.R. 2900, amended, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and for medical devices and to enhance the postmarket authorities of the Food and Drug Administration with respect to the safety of drugs, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 403 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 617; **Pages H7568–H7606, H7629**

Celebrating the 500th anniversary of the first use of the name “America”: H. Res. 287, amended, to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the first use of the name “America”; **Pages H7607–09**

Recognizing 2007 as the Year of the Rights of Internally Displaced Persons in Colombia: H. Res. 426, amended, to recognize 2007 as the Year of the Rights of Internally Displaced Persons in Colombia, and to offer support for efforts to ensure that the internally displaced people of Colombia receive the assistance and protection they need to rebuild their lives successfully; **Pages H7609–14**

Condemning the decision by the University and College Union of the United Kingdom to support a boycott of Israeli academia: H. Res. 467, amended, to condemn the decision by the University and College Union of the United Kingdom to support a boycott of Israeli academia, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting “nay” and 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 618; **Pages H7614–16, H7629–30**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Condemning the decision by the leadership of the University and College Union of the United Kingdom to support a boycott of Israeli academia.”. **Page H7630**

Expressing support for the new power-sharing government in Northern Ireland: H. Res. 482, amended, to express support for the new power-sharing government in Northern Ireland, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 413 yeas to 1 nay with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 619; **Pages H7617–20, S7630–31**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives in opposition to efforts by major natural gas exporting countries to establish a cartel or other mechanism to manipulate the supply of natural gas to the world market for the purpose of setting an arbitrary and nonmarket price or as an instrument of political pressure: H. Res. 500, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives in opposition to efforts by major natural gas exporting countries to establish a cartel or other mechanism to manipulate the supply of natural gas to the world market for the purpose of setting an arbitrary and nonmarket price or as an instrument of political pressure; **Pages H7620–23**

Recognizing the 100th anniversary of the University of Central Arkansas: H. Res. 436, to recognize the 100th anniversary of the University of Central Arkansas; and **Pages H7623–25**

Commending the Appalachian State University football team for winning the 2006 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I–AA Football Championship: H. Res. 210, amended, to commend the Appalachian State University football team for winning the 2006 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I–AA Football Championship. **Pages H7625–27**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of Lady Bird Johnson. **Pages H7628–29**

Commission on International Religious Freedom—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Speaker’s reappointment of the following members on the part of the House to the Commission on International Religious Freedom: Ms. Felice Gaer of Paramus, New Jersey, for a two-year term ending May 14, 2009, to succeed herself and, upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, Ms. Nina Shea of Washington, DC, for a two-year term ending May 14, 2009, to succeed herself. **Page H7631**

British-American Interparliamentary Group—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the British-American Interparliamentary Group, in addition to Representative Chandler, Chairman, appointed on March 30, 2007: Representative Wu, Vice Chairman; Representatives Pomeroy, Clyburn, Etheridge, Davis (CA), Bishop (NY), Petri, Boozman, Boustany, Crenshaw, and Wilson (SC). **Page H7638**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eleven yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7504, H7504–05, H7505, H7506, H7555, H7557–58, H7558, H7558–59, H7627–28, H7628, H7629, H7629–30, and H7630–31. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at midnight.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES; TRANSPORTATION, HUD, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported, as amended, the following appropriations for fiscal year