

points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except for clause 10 of rule XXI.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendments except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker.

Testimony was heard from Chairman Frank and Representatives Hastings of Florida, Woolsey and Bachus.

TAX COLLECTION RESPONSIBILITY ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 9 to 3, a closed rule providing one hour of debate in the House on H.R. 3056, Tax Collection Responsibility Act of 2007, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means, modified by the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule permits the Chair, during consideration of the bill, to postpone further consideration of it to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Representative Van Hollen.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings are scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on security involving Pakistan and policy implications for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on Cases of Child Neglect and Abuse at Private Residential Treatment Facilities, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up H.R. 1424, Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, to mark up the following: H.R. 3403, 911 Modernization and Safety Act of 2007; and the Broadband Census of America Act of 2007, 3 p.m., 2120 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, to mark up the following: H. Res. 106, Affirmation of the United States Record on the Armenian Genocide Resolution, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology, hearing and markup of H.R. 2631, Nuclear Forensics and Attribution Act, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following: the Responsibility Electronic Surveillance That is Overseen, Reviewed, and Effective Act of 2007; H.R. 3678, Internet Tax Freedom Act of 2007; H.R. 2830, Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2007; H.R. 3564, Regulatory Improvement Act of 2007; H.R. 2405, Proud to Be an American Citizen Act; H.R. 2884, Kendell Frederick Citizenship Assistance Act; H.R. 1512, To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for compensation to States incarcerating undocumented aliens charged with a felony or two or more misdemeanors; H.R. 1312, Arts Require Timely Service (ARTS) Act; and H.R. 3387, To update and improve the codification of title 46, United States Code, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 53, Virgin Islands National Park School Lease Act; H.R. 767, Refuge Ecology Protection, Assistance, and Immediate Response Act; H.R. 830, Denali National Park and Alaska Railroad Land Exchange Act of 2007; H.R. 3111, Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial Enhancement Act of 2007; H.R. 783, Mesa Verde National Park Boundary Expansion Act of 2007; H.R. 1528, New England National Scenic Trail Designation Act; H.R. 2094, To provide for certain administrative and support for the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission; H.R. 2197, Hopewell Culture National Historical Park Boundary Adjustment Act; H.R. 523, Douglas County, Washington, PUD Conveyance Act; H.R. 1462, Platte River Recovery Implementation Program and Pathfinder Modification Authorization Act;

H.R. 29, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct facilities to provide water for irrigation, municipal, domestic, military, and other uses from the Santa Margarita River, California; H.R. 135, Twenty-First Century Water Commission Act of 2007; and H.R. 664, Dana Point Desalination Project Authorization Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing on Professional Sport Stadiums: Do They Divert Taxpayer Funds From Public Infrastructure? 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing on Six Years Later: Assessing Long-Term Threats, Risks and the U.S. Strategy for Security in a Post 9/11 World, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2095, Federal railroad Safety Improvement Act of 2007, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, to mark up the following: H.R. 1834, National Ocean Exploration Program Act; the Energy Storage Technology Advancement Act of 2007; and

the Industrial Energy Efficiency Research and Development Act of 2007, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Assessment of the National Science Board's Action Plan for STEM Education, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on Small Business Priorities in upcoming energy legislation, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on The Transition from FAA to Contractor-Operated Flight Service Stations: Lessons Learned, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, hearing on the Findings of the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, to mark up the RESTORE Act of 2007, 10:30 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, hearing entitled "The Business Opportunity in a Low-Carbon Energy Economy," 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.