

*Congratulating Nicolas Sarkozy on his election to the presidency of France:* H. Res. 379, amended, to congratulate Nicolas Sarkozy on his election to the presidency of France, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 395 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 1046.

Page H12806

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Congratulating Nicolas Sarkozy on his election to the presidency of France and welcoming President Sarkozy on the occasion of his appearance before a Joint Meeting of Congress.”

Page H12806

**Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008:** The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 3043, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, by a yea-and-nay vote of 269 yeas to 142 nays, Roll No. 1050.

Pages H12806–13

H. Res. 794, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 216 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 1048, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 218 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 1047.

Pages H12812–14

**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Putnam motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 158 yeas to 248 nays, Roll No. 1049.

Pages H13198–99

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H12742.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 1347 was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Page H13202

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H13206–08.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Twelve yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H12785–86, H12787, H12787–88, H12797–98, H12798–99, H12799, H12799–H12800, H12804–05, H12805, H12806, H12813, H12813–14, H13198–99, H13199. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION REFORM PROPOSALS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “Comprehensive Children’s Product Safety and Consumer Product Safety Commission Reform Legislation.” Testimony was heard from the

following officials of the Consumer Product Safety Commission: Nancy A. Nord, Acting Chairman; and Thomas H. Moore, Commissioner; and public witnesses.

### MORTGAGE REFORM AND ANTI-PREDATORY LENDING ACT OF 2007

*Committee on Financial Services:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3915, Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act of 2007.

### YAHOO’S PROVISION OF FALSE INFORMATION TO CONGRESS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Held a hearing on Yahoo! Inc.’s Provision of False Information to Congress. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### VIETNAM—HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight held a hearing on Human Rights Concerns in Vietnam. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lofgren, Loretta Sanchez and Smith of New Jersey; Scott Marciel, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Southeast Asia, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

### USING THE WEB AS A WEAPON

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment held a hearing entitled “Using the Web as a Weapon: the Internet as a Tool for Violent Radicalization and Homegrown Terrorism.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held an oversight hearing on the Congressional Review Act. Testimony was heard from John V. Sullivan, Parliamentarian, House of Representatives; Mort Rosenberg, Specialist in American Public Law, CRS, Library of Congress; and a public witness.

### MANAGING ARSON THROUGH CRIME HISTORY (MATCH) ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action H.R. 1759, Managing Arson Through Criminal History (MATCH) Act of 2007.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bono and Schiff; Tracy Pansini, Fire Chief, Burbank Fire Department, Burbank, California; and William M. Soqui, Fire Chief, Cathedral City Fire Department, Cathedral City, California.

**TELEWORK: BREAKING NEW GROUND**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service, and the District of Columbia held a hearing on Telework: Breaking New Ground. Testimony was heard from Representative Wolf; Daniel A. Green, Deputy Associate Director, Center for Employee and Family Support Policy, OPM; Stan Kaczmarczk, Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Government-wide Policy, GSA; Bernice Steinhardt, Director, Strategic Issues, GAO; Margaret J.A. Peterlin, Deputy Under Secretary, Intellectual Property and Deputy Director, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; Lee J. Lofthus, Assistant Attorney General, Administration, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

**STRATEGY FOR SECURITY IN POST-9/11 WORLD**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on National Security, and Foreign Affairs continued hearings on Six Years Later: Smart Power and the U.S. Strategy for Security in a Post-9/11 World. Testimony was heard from Richard L. Armitage, former Deputy Secretary of State; and a public witness.

**UNITED STATES-PERU TRADE PROMOTION AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 10 to 0 (with one Member voting Present), a closed rule providing 3 hours of debate on H.R. 3688, to implement the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement, with 45 minutes in favor of the bill controlled by Representative Rangel of New York or his designee, 45 minutes in favor of the bill controlled by Representative McCrery of Louisiana or his designee, 45 minutes in opposition to the bill controlled by Representative Michaud of Maine or his designee, and 45 minutes in opposition to the bill controlled by the Minority Leader or his designee.

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 bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the bill. The rule provides that pursuant to section 151(f)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill to final passage without intervening motion. 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 Representatives Mahoney of Florida, Klein of Florida, and Capito.

**HOMEOWNERS' DEFENSE ACT OF 2007**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, an open rule with a pre-printing requirement providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 3355, to ensure the availability and affordability of homeowners' insurance coverage for catastrophic events, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clauses 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order the Committee on Financial Services amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order except clause 10 of rule XXI against the amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The rule provides that notwithstanding clause 11 of rule XVIII, no amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII and except pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. Each amendment so printed may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or a designee and shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule also 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 Representatives Levin, Pascrell, Crowley, Schwartz of Pennsylvania, Sutton, Kaptur, Michaud, Linda Sanchez of California, Ellison, Hare and Hunter.

**GLOBALIZATION OF R&D AND INNOVATION**

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation continued hearings on Globalization of R&D and Innovation, Part IV: Implications for the Science and Engineering Workforce. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

***Joint Meetings*****DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS**

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 3222, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.