

amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to make technical corrections; **Pages H14184–85**

*Protecting Our Children Comes First Act of 2007*: H.R. 2517, amended, to amend the Missing Children Assistance Act to authorize appropriations, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 408 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 1132; **Pages H14185–90, S14225–26**

*Securing Adolescents From Exploitation—Online Act of 2007*: H.R. 3791, amended, to modernize and expand the reporting requirements relating to child pornography and to expand cooperation in combating child pornography, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 409 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 1131; **Pages H14190–93, S14224–25**

*Managing Arson Through Criminal History (MATCH) Act of 2007*: H.R. 1759, amended, to establish guidelines and incentives for States to establish arsonist registries and to require the Attorney General to establish a national arsonist registry and notification program; **Pages H14193–98**

*Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the hanging of nooses is a horrible act when used for the purpose of intimidation*: H. Res. 826, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the hanging of nooses is a horrible act when used for the purpose of intimidation and which under certain circumstances can be a criminal act that should be thoroughly investigated by Federal law enforcement authorities and that any criminal violations should be vigorously prosecuted; **Pages H14198–S14203**

*Genocide Accountability Act of 2007*: S. 888, to amend section 1091 of title 18, United States Code, to allow the prosecution of genocide in appropriate circumstances—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H14203–07**

*U.S. Capitol Police and Library of Congress Police Merger Implementation Act of 2007*: H.R. 3690, amended, to provide for the transfer of the Library of Congress police to the United States Capitol Police; **Pages H14207–11**

*Providing for the reappointment of Patricia Q. Stonesifer as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution*: S. J. Res. 8, to provide for the reappointment of Patricia Q. Stonesifer as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H14211–12**

*Recognizing the 100th anniversary year of the founding of the Port of Los Angeles*: H. Res. 822, amended, to recognize the 100th anniversary year of the founding of the Port of Los Angeles, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$

yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 1133; and **Pages H14212–17, S14226**

*Providing for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 through May 23, 2008*: H.R. 4252, to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 through May 23, 2008. **Pages H14223–24**

**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed**: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

*Securities Law Technical Corrections Act of 2007*: H.R. 3505, amended, to make various technical and clerical amendments to the Federal securities laws and **Pages H14180–82**

*Military Reservist and Veteran Small Business Reauthorization and Opportunity Act of 2007*: H.R. 4253, to improve and expand small business assistance programs for veterans of the armed forces and military reservists. **Pages H14218–23**

**Privileged Resolution**: The House agreed to H. Res. 836, granting the authority provided under clause 4(c)(3) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives to the Committee on Education and Labor for purposes of its investigation into the deaths of 9 individuals that occurred at the Crandall Canyon Mine near Huntington, Utah. **Pages H14226–27**

**Recess**: The House recessed at 8:30 p.m. and reconvened at 11:52 p.m. **Page H14246**

**Senate Message**: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H14159.

**Senate Referrals**: S. 1327 and S. 863 were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page H14246**

**Quorum Calls—Votes**: Seven ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H14170, H14170–71, H14171, H14172, H14224–25, H14225, and H14226. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment**: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:53 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### PROVINCIAL RECONSTRUCTION TEAMS

*Committee on Armed Services*: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Provincial Reconstruction Teams—Historical and Current Perspectives on Doctrine and Strategy. Testimony was

heard from BG Eric Olson, USA (Ret.), former Commander, Combined/Joint Task Force-76, former Director, National Coordination Team; and public witnesses.

#### U.S. ECONOMY AND THE FEDERAL BUDGET

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on the State of the U.S. Economy and Implications for the Federal Budget. Testimony was heard from Peter Orszag, Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION—PROVIDING FOR TAKING DEPOSITIONS

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Approved a motion adopting, as amended, a resolution to add a Rule 24 to the Rules of the Committee to Provide a Process for Taking Depositions.

#### OVERSIGHT—FCC: MEDIA OWNERSHIP

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Federal Communications Commission: Media Ownership.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FCC: Kevin J. Martin, Chairman; Michael J. Copps, Jonathan S. Adelstein, Deborah Taylor Tate and Robert M. McDowell, all Commissioners; and public witnesses.

#### LOW INCOME VETERANS’ HOUSING

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled “Affordable Housing Needs of America’s Low Income Veterans.” Testimony was heard from Mark Johnston, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Special Needs, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Peter H. Dougherty, Director, Homeless Veterans Programs, Department of Veterans Affairs; David Wood, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, GAO; and public witnesses.

#### MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS—AFTER ANNAPOLIS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Held a hearing on After Annapolis: Next Steps in the Middle East Peace Process. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### REBUILDING FISHERIES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing entitled “Rebuilding Overfished Fisheries Under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Management Act.” Testimony was heard from Representatives Frank of Massachusetts, Jones of North Carolina; and Bishop of New York; and public witnesses.

#### EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION CONSULTANTS

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Held a hearing on Executive Pay and the Role of Compensation Consultants. Testimony was heard from Meredith Miller, Assistant Treasurer, Policy, Office of Treasurer, Connecticut; and public witnesses.

#### PROVIDING FOR TAKING DEPOSITIONS—CRANDALL CANYON MINE INVESTIGATION

*Committee on Rules:* Ordered reported H. Res. 836, Granting the authority provided under clause 4(c)(3) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives to the Committee on Education and Labor for purposes of its investigation into the deaths of 9 individuals that occurred at the Crandall Canyon Mine near Huntington, Utah. Testimony was heard from Chairman George Miller of California; Representative McKeon; and T.J. Halstead, Legislative Attorney, American Law Division, CRS, Library of Congress.

#### CREATING LONG-TERM ENERGY ALTERNATIVES FOR THE NATION ACT OF 2007

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 9 to 3, a rule which makes in order a motion by the Majority Leader to concur in the Senate amendments with the House amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule waives all points of order against the motion except clause 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the Senate amendments and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides 1 hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader. The rule further provides that the Chair may postpone further consideration of the motion to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard by Representatives Blumenauer and Barton of Texas.

#### BRIEFING—IRAN

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Iran. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

### *Joint Meetings*

#### INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2082, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government,

the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

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**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,  
DECEMBER 6, 2007**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the report of the Commission on Army Acquisition and Program Management in Expeditionary Operations entitled "Urgent Reform Required: Army Expeditionary Contracting", 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs and International Environmental Protection, to hold hearings to examine the United States foreign assistance to Pakistan, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 344, to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings, S. 1638, to adjust the salaries of Federal justices and judges, S. 1829, to reauthorize programs under the Missing Children's Assistance Act, S. 431, to require convicted sex offenders to register online identifiers, S. 352, to provide for media coverage of Federal court proceedings, S. 2344, to create a competitive grant program to provide for age-appropriate Internet education for children, S. 2402, to provide for the substitution of the United States in certain civil actions, and the nomina-

tions of Ronald Jay Tenpas, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Gregory A. Brower, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nevada, Diane J. Humetewa, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona, and Edmund A. Booth, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia, 10 a.m., SD-226.

**House**

*Committee on Financial Services,* hearing entitled "Accelerating Loan Modifications, Improving Foreclosure Prevention and Enhancing Enforcement," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on House Administration,* Subcommittee on Elections, oversight hearing on the Use of Robocalls in Federal Campaigns, 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 3396, Sales Tax Fairness and Simplification Act, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on Promoting Inmate Rehabilitation and Successful Release Planning, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business,* hearing to review legislation to improve the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,* Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, hearing on DNI's 500-Day Plan, 9:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Colombia, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.