

country, focusing on jails, schools, and health facilities, after receiving testimony from Randy Grinnell, Deputy Director for Management Operations, and Gary Hartz, Director, Office of Environmental Health and Engineering, both of the Indian Health Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Jack Rever, Director, Facilities, Environmental, Safety and Cultural Resources, and Pat Ragsdale, Director, Office of Law Enforcement Services, both of the Department of the Interior; Domingo Herraiz, Director, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Department of Justice; Valerie Davidson and Rick Boyce, both of the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, Anchorage; Wendsler Nosie, San Carlos Apache Tribe, San Carlos, Arizona; and Monty Roessel, Rough Rock Community School, Rough Rock, Arizona.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

S. 2304, to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide grants for the improved mental health treatment and services provided to offenders with mental illnesses, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2449, to amend chapter 111 of title 28, United States Code, relating to protective orders, sealing of cases, disclosures of discovery information in civil actions, with amendment;

S. 352, to provide for media coverage of Federal court proceedings, with amendments; and

The nominations of Kevin J. O'Connor, of Connecticut, to be Associate Attorney General, and Gregory G. Katsas, of Massachusetts, to be an As-

sistant Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice, Brian Stacy Miller, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, James Randal Hall, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Georgia, William Joseph Hawe, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Washington, Stanley Thomas Anderson, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, and John A. Mendez, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California.

### VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee concluded a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans Affairs to examine a sundry of associations' outlook on veterans affairs issues and to receive their legislative presentations, after receiving testimony from Warren G. King, Sr., American Ex-Prisoners of War, Randy L. Pleva, Sr., Paralyzed Veterans of America, Lawrence Schulman, Jewish War Veterans of the United States, Norman Jones, Jr., Blinded Veterans Association, John Rowan, Vietnam Veterans of America, Sergeant Major H. Gene Overstreet, USMC (Ret.), Non Commissioned Officers Association of the United States of America, and Richard M. Dean, Air Force Sergeants Association, all of Washington, D.C.

### 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.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 20 public bills, H.R. 5541–5560; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 311; and H. Res. 1024–1030 were introduced. **Pages H1416–17**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H1417–18**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 1312, to expedite adjudication of employer petitions for aliens of extraordinary artistic ability, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–540). **Page H1416**

**Generations Invigorating Volunteerism and Education Act:** The House began consideration of H.R.

2857, to reauthorize and reform the national service laws. Further proceedings were postponed.

**Pages H1345–93, H1393–98**

Agreed to table the appeal of the ruling of the chair on a point of order sustained against the Daniel E. Lungren motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 191 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 107. **Pages H1395–98**

Representative Kuhl moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the same back to the House

promptly with amendments. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. **Pages H1397–98**

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 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H1356**

Accepted:

McCarthy (NY) manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that makes various technical changes and clarifications and includes the following key changes: makes various technical changes to Learn and Serve America (Subtitle B); clarifies matching requirements of AmeriCorps State/National (Subtitle C); strengthens Senior Corps by phasing in competition for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) by 2013 and creating incentive grants to encourage high performance among the Senior Corps programs with a priority for RSVP programs; and provides New Service Initiatives including a new national service pilot program to support individuals seeking to do service for small, eligible entities and a Silver Scholarship program for individuals 55 years of age and older who perform 600 hours of service. Expands scope to include community colleges serving predominantly minority student populations. Gives priority to areas which the President has declared to be major disaster areas;

**Pages H1376–81**

McKeon amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that requires the Corporation to establish priorities for programs funded under the national service laws for programs that recruit veterans into service opportunities, promote community-based efforts to meet the needs of military families while a family member is deployed, and promote community-based efforts to meet the needs of military families when a member of the family returns from a deployment. The amendment also requires the Corporation to annually report to Congress on the number and percentage of national service positions eligible for the education award that are filled by veterans, and to establish annual goals for increasing those numbers and percentages;

**Pages H1381–82**

Matsui amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that integrates two competitive funding streams and seeks to improve collaboration between state and national entities;

**Pages H1382–83**

McDermott amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that establishes a temporary Congressional Commission on Civic Service within the Legislative Branch. The Commission would be tasked with making recommendations to Congress about how to improve opportunities for public service;

**Pages H1383–85**

English (PA) amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that adds a section at end of bill that it is the Sense of Congress that the Corporation for National and Community Service should make the maximum effort possible to coordinate the recruiting and assignment procedures of their various programs to allow senior citizens and their grandchildren to share volunteer opportunities and/or be assigned to the same geographic areas during their period of service;

**Pages H1385–86**

English (PA) amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that adds a section to bill that it is the Sense of Congress that the Corporation for National and Community Service should make the maximum effort possible to coordinate with the National Endowment for the Humanities to provide opportunities for young people enrolled in NACS programs to collect oral histories from senior citizens in the communities where they serve;

**Pages H1386–87**

English (PA) amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that requires the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service to coordinate with veterans' organizations serving veterans with disabilities to provide opportunities for young people enrolled in existing NACS programs to serve as drivers in the DAV Transportation Network on a full-time, part-time, or as-needed basis;

**Pages H1387–88**

Sutton amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that requires the Corporation for National and Community Service to consider whether an area has a mortgage foreclosure rate greater than the national average when considering applications from States and other eligible entities;

**Pages H1388–89**

Sutton amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that requires the Corporation for National and Community Service to conduct a study to identify specific areas of need for displaced workers and how existing programs and activities carried out under the national service laws can better serve displaced workers and communities affected by plant closings and job losses. The amendment also requires the Corporation to develop and carry out a pilot program based on the findings of the study; and

**Pages H1389–90**

Inslee amendment (No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that adds an Energy Conservation Corps, which would seek to address the nation's energy and transportation infrastructure needs while providing work and service opportunities (by a recorded vote of 252 ayes to 161 noes, Roll No. 106).

**Pages H1391–93, H1394–95**

Rejected:

Flake amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 110–539) that sought to strike the "summer of service" grant program and reduce the authorized

amount designated for the program (by a recorded vote of 153 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 105).

**Pages H1390–91, H1394**

H. Res. 1015, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 190 noes, Roll No. 104, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 217 yeas to 193 nays with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 103.

**Pages H1345–49**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:21 p.m. and reconvened at 1:31 p.m.

**Page H1393**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, March 10th for morning hour debate and further, when the House adjourns on Wednesday, March 12th, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 13th.

**Page H1408**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1347–48, H1348, H1394, H1394–95, H1397. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Food Safety and Inspection Service. Testimony was heard from Mark Keenum, Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies continued hearing on NASA. Testimony was heard from Michael D. Griffin, Administrator, NASA.

### SELECT INTELLIGENCE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Select Intelligence Oversight Panel met in executive session to hold a hearing on National Intelligence Program Budget. Testimony was heard from Donald Kerr, Principal Deputy Director, National Intelligence, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

### ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held

a hearing on U.S. Corps of Engineers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: John Paul Woodley, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Civil Works; and LTG Robert Van Antwerp, Chief of Engineers.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Department of Energy—Environmental Management Legacy Management. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Jim Rispoli, Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management; and Michael Owen, Director, Office of Legacy Management.

### FINANCIAL SERVICES, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a hearing on OMB. Testimony was heard from Jim Nussle, Director, OMB.

### HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on Border Security Programs and Operations—Challenges and Priorities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: W. Ralph Basham, Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; and Robert Moczny, Director, U.S.-Visitor and Immigration Status Indicator Technology; and Richard Stana, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, GAO.

### INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on National Park Service. Testimony was heard from Mary A. Bomar, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

### LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies held a hearing on Secretary of Labor, Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from Elaine Chao, Secretary of Labor.

### LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing on GPO. Testimony was heard from Robert Tapella, Public Printer, GPO.

### MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS' AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans' Affairs, and Related