

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

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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.

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

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**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.

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**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

Agencies met in executive session to hold a hearing on Central Command. Testimony was heard from ADM William J. Fallon, USN, Commander, U.S. Central Command, Department of Defense.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Department of Veterans' Affairs-Medical Care. Testimony was heard from Michael J. Kussman, Under Secretary, Health, Department of Veterans Affairs.

#### STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2008 Emergency Supplemental Request for State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs. Testimony was heard from John D. Negroponte, Deputy Secretary of State.

#### TRANSPORTATION, HUD APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on FAA-Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Robert Sturgell, Acting Administrator, FAA, Department of Transportation.

#### NAVY BUDGET

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2009 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of the Navy. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: Donald C. Winter, Secretary; ADM Gary Roughead, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; and GEN James J. Conway, USMC, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps.

#### FAMILY SMOKING PREVENTION AND TOBACCO CONTROL ACT

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health began consideration of H.R. 1108, Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act.

#### CREDIT UNION REGULATORY RELIEF

*Committee on Financial Services:* Held a hearing entitled "The Need for Credit Union Regulatory Relief and Improvements." Testimony was heard from JoAnn M. Johnson, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; and public witnesses.

#### CHEMICAL FACILITY ANTI-TERRORISM ACT

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Ordered reported, as amended, the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Act of 2008.

#### AUTOMOBILE ARBITRATION FAIRNESS ACT OF 2008

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 5312, Automobile Arbitration Fairness Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### PRIORITIZING RESOURCES AND ORGANIZATION FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ACT OF 2007

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts, The Internet, and Intellectual Property approved full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4279, Prioritizing Resources and Organization for Intellectual Property Act of 2007.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 877, Adams National Historical Park Boundary Addition Act; H.R. 1423, Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center Lease Act; H.R. 1693, National Liberty Memorial Act; H.R. 2675, HALE Scouts Act; H.R. 3651, Utah National Guard Readiness Act; and H.R. 3734, Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Simpson; Katherine H. Stevenson, Acting Assistant Director, Business Services, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Gregory C. Smith, Director of Lands, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

#### FEDERAL WORKFORCE PAID PARENTAL LEAVE

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia held a hearing on Investing in the Future of the Federal Workforce: Paid Parental Leave Improves Recruitment and Retention. Testimony was heard from Daniel Beard, Chief Administrative Officer, House of Representatives; Nancy Kichak, Associate Director, Strategic Human Resources, OPM; and public witnesses.

#### HOMELAND SECURITY R&D BUDGET

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on the Department of Homeland Security's R&D Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2009. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Jay M. Cohen, Under Secretary, Science and Technology; Vayl Oxford, Director, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office; and George Ryan, Director, Testing and Evaluation Standards, Science and Technology Directorate.

**FEDERAL SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACTS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing entitled “Are New Procurement Methods Beneficial to Small Business Contractors?” Testimony was heard from Paul Dennett, Administrator, Office of Federal Procurement Policy, OMB; Jim Williams, Commissioner, Federal Acquisition Services, GSA; Deputy Commanding GEN Ron Johnson, USA, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; and public witnesses.

**SMALL/MINORITY BUSINESS FEDERAL CONTRACTS**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing on Doing Business with the Government: The Record and Goals for Small, Minority, and Disadvantaged Businesses. Testimony was heard from Stephen Ayers, Acting Architect of the Capitol; Terrie Rouse, Chief Executive Officer for Visitor Services, Capital Visitor Center; Michael J. Rigas, Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Small Business Utilization, GSA; Roger Mosier, Vice President, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; Albert Sligh, Director, Office of Management, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security; Era Marshall, Director, Office of Equal Employment and Minority Affairs, Smithsonian Institution; and public witnesses.

**BRIEFING—INTELLIGENCE BUDGET OVERVIEW**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to hold a briefing on Intelligence Budget Overview—DNI. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

**ECONOMY ADRIFT—ANSWER RENEWABLE ENERGY**

*Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming:* Held a hearing entitled “Blowing in the Wind: Renewable Energy as the Answer to an Economy Adrift.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**Joint Meetings****FUTURE OF THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE**

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded a joint hearing with the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service, and the District of Columbia to examine investing in the future of the federal workforce, focusing on paid parental leave to improve recruitment and retention, after receiving testimony from Daniel P. Beard, Chief Administrative Officer, United States House of Representatives; Nancy H. Kichak, Associate Director for Strategic Human Resources Policy, Office of Personnel Management; Jane Waldfogel, Columbia University, New York, New York; and Sharyn Tejani, National Partnership for Women and Families, Vicky Lovell, Institute for Women’s Policy Research, Colleen M. Kelley, National Treasury Employees Union, Mary Jean Burke, American Federation of Government Employees (AFL–CIO), and Amy S. Costantino, all of Washington, D.C.

**NEW PUBLIC LAWS**

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D207)

S. 2571, to make technical corrections to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act. Signed on March 6, 2008. (Public Law 110–193)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2008**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

**Senate**

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

**House**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* hearing on “Executive Compensation II: CEO Pay and the Mortgage Crisis,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

**Joint Meetings**

*Joint Economic Committee:* to hold hearings to examine the current employment situation of 2008, 9:30 a.m., SD–628.