

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 5937–5956; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 339–340, and H. Res. 1168–1172, were introduced. **Pages H3017–18**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3019–21**

Reports Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 5579, to remove an impediment to troubled debt restructuring on the part of holders of residential mortgage loans, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–615); and

H.R. 5818, to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to make loans to States to acquire foreclosed housing and to make grants to States for related costs, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–471). **Page H3017**

The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Pastor Gary Strickland, Kingdom Place, Lumberton, North Carolina. **Page H2951**

Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 493, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment, by a ye-and-nay vote of 414 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 234—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H2961–80**

H. Res. 1156, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment, was agreed to by voice vote after agreeing to order the previous question. **Pages H2956–61**

Providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules: The House agreed to H. Res. 1167, to provide for consideration of motions to suspend the rules, by a ye-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 236, after agreeing to order the previous question by a ye-and-nay vote of 226 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 235. **Pages H2953–56, S2980–81**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Wednesday, April 30th:

Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service: H. Con. Res. 308, to authorize the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 412 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 237. **Pages H2981–82**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Making technical corrections in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 493: H. Con. Res. 340, to make technical corrections in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 493; **Pages H2982–83**

Ensuring Continued Access to Student Loans Act of 2008: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 5715, to ensure continued availability of access to the Federal student loan program for students and families, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 388 yeas to 21 nays, Roll No. 239—clearing the measure for the President; and **Pages H2983–87**

Amending Public Law 110–196 to provide for a temporary extension of programs authorized by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 beyond May 2, 2008: S. 2954, to amend Public Law 110–196 to provide for a temporary extension of programs authorized by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 beyond May 2, 2008—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H2987–88**

Food and Energy Security Act of 2007—Motion to Instruct Conferees: Rejected the Flake motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2419, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, by a ye-and-nay vote of 157 yeas to 259 nays, Roll No. 238. Consideration of the motion began on Wednesday, April 30th. **Pages H2988–89**

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 5th for morning hour debate. **Page H2992**

Food and Energy Security Act of 2007—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House began consideration of the Ryan (WI) motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2419, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012. Further proceedings were postponed. **Pages H2992–95**

Food and Energy Security Act of 2007—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House began consideration of the Kind motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2419, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012. Further proceedings were postponed. **Pages H2995–99**

Speaker pro tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hoyer and Representative Van Hollen to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through May 5, 2008. **Page H2999**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of the issuance of an Executive Order that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13047 relating to Burma—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 110–107).

Pages H2999–H3000

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H2951 and H2987.

Senate Referral: S. 1760 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and S. 2954 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2979–80, H2980, H2981, H2981–82, H2988–89, and H2989. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FDA GLOBALIZATION ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the Food and Drug Administration Globalization Act, focusing on Drug Safety Provisions. Testimony was heard from Janet Woodcock, M.D., Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

BROADBAND ACCESS DISABLED

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing on a measure Enhancing Access to Broadband Technology and Services for Persons with Disabilities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FHA HOUSING STABILIZATION AND HOMEOWNERSHIP RETENTION ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 5830, FHA Housing Stabilization and Homeownership Retention Act of 2008.

IRAQI REFUGEES/DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, and the Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight held a joint hearing on No Direction Home: An NGO Perspective on Iraqi Refugees and IDPs. Testimony was heard from Representative Blumenauer; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure Protection began markup of the following measures: H.R. 4179, Fair, Accurate, Secure and Timely Redress Act of 2007; H.R. 4749, National Bombing Prevention Act of 2008; H.R. 5909, To amend the Aviation and Transportation Security Act to prohibit advance notice to certain individuals, including security screeners, of covert testing of security screening procedures for the purpose of enhancing transportation security at airports, and for other purposes; and H. Res. 1150, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Transportation Security Administration should, in accordance with the congressional mandate provided for in the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, enhance security against terrorist attack and other security threats to our Nation's rail and mass transit lines.

U.S. CAPITOL—ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Capitol Security held a hearing on the Administration and Management of the United States Capitol. Testimony was heard from Chief Phillip D. Morse, U.S. Capitol Police; Richard M. Stana, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, GAO; and Matthew Tighe, Chairman, U.S. Capitol Police Labor Committee.

UNSAFE FOREIGN PRODUCTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 5913, Protecting Americans from Unsafe Foreign Products Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TOBACCO TAX ENFORCEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4081, Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act of 2007; and H.R. 5689, Smuggled Tobacco Prevention Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from Representatives Weiner and Kildee; William Hoover, Assistant Director, Office of Field Operations, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice; David Lapp, Chief Counsel, Tobacco Enforcement Unit, Office of the Attorney General, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 5683, amended, Government Accountability Office Act; H.R.