

**Removal of Injunction of Secrecy:** The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Tax Convention with Iceland (Treaty Doc. No. 110–17).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Troy A. Paredes, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2013.

Cynthia L. Bauerly, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2011.

Caroline C. Hunter, of Florida, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2013.

Donald F. McGahn, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2009.

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**Nominations Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Robert J. Battista, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2009, which was sent to the Senate on January 25, 2008.

David M. Mason, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2009, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 2007.

Robert D. Lenhard, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2011, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 2007.

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—116) **Pages S3777, S3779**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:12 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3838.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### **NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARIES**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard concluded an oversight hearing to examine the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, including H.R. 1187, to expand the boundaries of the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and the Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary, and S. 2281, to expand the boundaries of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve, after receiving testimony from Senator Levin; Vice Admiral Conrad Lautenbacher, Jr., USN (Ret.), Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, and Administrator, National Ocean and Atmospheric Administration; Jefferson Gray, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve, Alpena, Michigan; Susan L. Williams, University of California-Davis, Bodega Bay; and Kathy Fosmark, Alliance of Communities for Sustainable Fisheries, Monterey, California.

### **PERCHLORATE AND TCE IN WATER**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine perchlorate and trichloroethylene (TCE) in water, including S. 24, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to require a health advisory and monitoring of drinking water for perchlorate, after receiving testimony from Benjamin H. Grumbles, Assistant Administrator for Water, Environmental Protection Agency; George V. Alexeeff, California Environmental Protection Agency Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, Sacramento; Michael G. Baker, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Division of Drinking and Ground Waters, Columbus, on behalf of the Association of State Drinking Water Administrators; Carol Rowan West, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Office of Research and Standards, Boston; New York State Representative Donna A. Lupardo, Albany; Gail Charnley, HealthRisk Strategies, and Richard Wiles, Environmental Working Group, both of Washington, D.C.; and David G. Hoel, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston.

**HEALTH CARE REFORM**

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine seizing the new opportunity for health care reform, after receiving testimony from Donna E. Shalala, University of Miami, Miami, Florida, and Tommy G. Thompson, Logistics Health, Inc., Washington, D.C., both former Secretaries of Health and Human Services.

**INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON HOLOCAUST ERA INSURANCE CLAIMS**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims (ICHEIC), after receiving testimony from Anna B. Rubin, New York State Banking Department Holocaust Claims Processing Office, Roman Kent, American Gathering of Jewish Holocaust Survivors and Their Descendants, and Thane Rosenbaum, Fordham Law School, all of New York, New York; Jack Rubin, Holocaust Survivors of West Palm Beach, Boynton Beach, Florida; Lawrence S. Eagleburger, former Secretary of State and former Chairman, International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims, Charlottesville, Virginia; Stuart E. Eizenstat, Covington and Burling LLP, former Special Representative of the

President and Secretary of State on Holocaust Issues, Washington, D.C.; and Samuel J. Dubbin, Dubbin and Kravetz, LLP, Miami, Florida.

**FORECLOSURE CRISIS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded a hearing to examine policing lenders and protecting homeowners, focusing on the current housing foreclosure crisis, after receiving testimony from Clifford J. White, III, Director, Executive Office for United States Trustees, Department of Justice; Steve Bailey, Countrywide Financial Corporation, Simi Valley, California; Debra Miller, Standing Chapter 13 Trustee, South Bend, Indiana; Katherine Porter, University of Iowa College of Law, Iowa City; and Robin Atchley, Ballground, Georgia.

**NOMINATION**

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Michael E. Leiter, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, after the nominee, who was introduced by former Senator Robb, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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# House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 12 public bills, H.R. 5970–5981; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 342; and H. Res. 1176–1177, were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows: H. Res. 1174, providing for consideration of the bill (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 (H. Rept. 110–621) and H. Res. 1175, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 3221) moving the United States toward greater energy independence and security, developing innovative new technologies, reducing carbon emissions, creating green jobs, protecting consumers, increasing clean renewable energy production, and modernizing our energy infrastructure, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for the pro-

duction of renewable energy and energy conservation (H. Rept. 110–622).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Pastor to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:58 a.m. and reconvened at noon.

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**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 182 noes, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 246.

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**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Walsh (NY) motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 152 yeas to 255 nays, Roll No. 245.

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**Oath of Office—Sixth Congressional District of Louisiana:** Representative-elect Don Cazayoux presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a facsimile copy of a letter from the Honorable Jay Dardenne,