

The House further agreed to the Hastings (FL) motion to table the Rogers (KY) motion to reconsider the vote, by a recorded vote of 225 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 254. **Page H3089**

Temporarily extending the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965: S. 2929, amended, to temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 408 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 256; **Pages H3090–91**

The House further agreed to the Hastings (FL) motion to table the Emerson motion to reconsider the vote, by a recorded vote of 223 ayes to 189 noes, Roll No. 257. **Page H3091**

Congratulating charter schools and their students, parents, teachers, and administrators across the United States for their ongoing contributions to education: H. Res. 1168, amended, to congratulate charter schools and their students, parents, teachers, and administrators across the United States for their ongoing contributions to education, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 391 ayes to 2 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 263; and **Pages H3100–01**

The House further agreed to the Hastings (FL) motion to table the Carter motion to reconsider the vote, by a recorded vote of 215 ayes to 182 noes, Roll No. 264. **Pages H3100–01**

Honoring the recipients of the El Dorado Promise scholarship: H. Res. 1155, amended, to honor the recipients of the El Dorado Promise scholarship, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 390 ayes to 1 no, Roll No. 265. **Pages H3101–02**

The House further agreed to the Hastings (FL) motion to table the Tiaht motion to reconsider the vote, by a recorded vote of 216 ayes to 180 noes, Roll No. 266. **Page H3102**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Simpson motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 145 ayes to 271 noes, Roll No. 255. **Pages H3089–90**

Food and Energy Security Act of 2007—Motion to Instruct Conferees: Rejected the Kind motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2419, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, by a yea-and-nay vote of 140 yeas to 274 nays, Roll No. 258. Consideration of the motion began on Thursday, May 1st. **Pages H3091–92**

Subsequently, the House agreed to the Hastings (FL) motion to table the Latham motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 259. **Pages H3092–93**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Simpson motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 149 ayes to 251 noes, Roll No. 260. **Page H3093**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Culberson motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 138 ayes to 248 noes, Roll No. 261. **Page H3096**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Carter motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 149 yeas to 236 nays, Roll No. 262. **Pages H3099–S3100**

Food and Energy Security Act of 2007—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House began consideration of the Flake 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 H3102–06**

Motion to Adjourn: Agreed to the Pomeroy motion to adjourn by voice vote. **Page H3106**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and seventeen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3060–61, H3061, H3063, H3063–64, H3085–86, H3086, H3087, H3087–88, H3088–89, H3089, H3089–90, H3090–91, H3091, H3091–92, H3092–93, H3093, H3096, H3099, H3100, H3100–01, H3101–02 and H3102. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL U.S. WORKER RECRUITMENT PROGRAMS

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on Do Federal Programs Ensure U.S. Workers Are Recruited First Before Employers Hire From Abroad? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Leon T. Sequeira, Assistant Secretary, Policy; and Williams L. Carlson, Administrator, Office of Foreign Labor Certification, Employment and Training Administration; and public witnesses.

RENEWABLE FUELS STANDARD

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled “The Renewable Fuels Standard: Issues Implementation, and Opportunities.” Testimony was heard from Representative Herseth Sandlin; Robert J. Meyers, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office for Air and Radiation, EPA; and public witnesses.

INTERNET FREEDOM PRESERVATION ACT OF 2008

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing on H.R. 5353, Internet Freedom Preservation Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HIGHER EDUCATION IN AFRICA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health held a hearing on Higher Education in Africa: Making the Link between Intellectual Capital and Regional Development. Testimony was heard from Franklin Moore, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, U.S. Agency for International Development, Department of State; and public witnesses.

GUANTANAMO BAY AND AMERICA'S IMAGE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight held a hearing on the City on the Hill or Prison on the Bay? The Mistakes of Guantanamo and the Decline of America's Image. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BROADENING HOMELAND SECURITY STRATEGY

Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "The Resilient Homeland—Broadening the Homeland Security Strategy." Testimony was heard from Stewart A. Baker, Assistant Secretary, Policy, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

RULEMAKING PROCESS/UNITARY EXECUTIVE THEORY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on Rulemaking Process and the Unitary Executive Theory. Testimony was heard from Susan E. Dudley, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB; Curtis W. Copeland, Specialist in American National Government, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

AUTHORIZING SUBPOENA

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties approved a resolution authorizing the Chairman of the Committee to issue a subpoena to David Addington to appear before a hearing relating to the Committee's investigation concerning Bush Administration attorneys and interrogation rules and practices and related matters.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH'S INTERROGATION WAR POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties held a hearing on From the Department of Justice to Guantanamo Bay: Administration Lawyers and Administration Interrogation Rules, Part I. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security began markup of the following bills: H.R. 5464, A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center Act; H.R. 2352, School Safety Enhancements Act of 2007; H.R. 3480, Let Our Veterans Rest In Peace Act of 2007; S. 2135, Child Soldiers Accountability Act of 2007; H.R. 5938, Former Vice President Protection Act of 2008; H.R. 5057, Debbie Smith Reauthorization Act of 2008; H.R. 1783, Elder Justice Act; H.R. 5352, Elder Abuse Victims Act of 2008, 3 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Federal Prison Industries—Examining the Effects of Section 827 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from Harley G. Lappin, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

SENATE AMENDMENTS—AMERICAN HOUSING RESCUE AND FORECLOSURE PREVENTION ACT OF 2008

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 9–4, a rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to H.R. 3221, the American Housing Rescue and Foreclosure Prevention Act of 2008. The rule makes in order a motion by the Chairman of the Committee on Financial Services to concur in the Senate amendment to the text with each of the three House amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule waives all points of order against the motion except for clause 10 of rule XXI and provides that the Senate amendments and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides three hours of debate on the motion, with two hours equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services and one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule also provides that the Chair shall divide the question of adoption of the motion between the three House amendments. The rule provides that upon adoption of the motion, a motion that the House concur in the Senate amendment to the title shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides that the Chair may postpone further consideration as adopted. Finally, the rule provides that the Chair may postpone further consideration of the motion to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard by Chairman Frank of Massachusetts, Representatives Neal, Bachus, and Mario Diaz-Balart of Florida.

NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION ACT OF 2008

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 9–4, a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate on H.R. 5818, Neighborhood Stabilization Act of 2008, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except for clause 10 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendments except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule further provides that after a motion that the Committee rise has been rejected on a legislative day, the Chair may entertain another such motion on that day only if offered by the chairman of the Committee on Financial Services or the Majority Leader or a designee and provides that after a motion to strike out the enacting words of the bill (as described in clause 9 of rule XVIII) has been rejected, the Chair may not entertain another such motion during further consideration of the bill. Finally, the rule provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard by Chairman Frank of Massachusetts, Representatives Capito, and McCotter.

WATER MEASURES

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3957, Water Use Efficiency and Conservation Research Act; and H.R. 2339, amended, Produced Water Utilization Act of 2007.

AIRCRAFT EMISSIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Aviation and the Environment: Emissions. Testimony was heard from David W. Fahey, Research Physicist, NOAA; Daniel K. Elwell, Assistant Administrator, Aviation Policy, Planning, and Environment, FAA, Department of Transportation; Gerald Dillingham, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO.

The Subcommittee also held a briefing on this subject. The Subcommittee was briefed by Ambassador John Bruton, Head of the Delegation of the European Commission to the United States of America.

TRUCKING INDUSTRY—RISING FUEL COSTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on Rising Fuel Costs in the Trucking Industry. Testimony was heard from Suzanne TeBeau, Chief Counsel, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

VETERANS' SUICIDES

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Held a hearing on the Truth about Veterans' Suicides. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: James B. Peake, M.D., Secretary; and Michael Shepherd, M.D., Office of Healthcare Inspections, Office of the Inspector General; and public witnesses.

MEDICARE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT PAYMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare's DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program. Testimony was heard from Kerry Weems, Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Kathleen M. King, Director, Health Care, GAO; and public witnesses.

EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY EQUIPMENT VERIFICATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Employment Eligibility Verification Systems. Testimony was heard from Representatives Calvert, Moore of Kansas, Giffords and Shuler; Richard Stana, Director of Homeland Security and Justice, GAO; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—OVERHEAD

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

Joint Meetings**ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine oil and food prices relative to the link between energy and environmental security, focusing on the role that environmental technologies can play in increasing energy security while combating climate change by reducing demand on hydrocarbon resources, after receiving testimony from Richard Bradley, International Energy Agency, Paris, France; Jonathan Pershing, World Resources Institute, and Jetta Wong, Environmental and Energy Study Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Justin M. Lee, Nexsun Energy, Inc., Los Angeles, California; and Alex Marker, SCHOTT North America, Duryea, Pennsylvania.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D540)

H.R. 4286, to award a congressional gold medal to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi in recognition of her courageous and unwavering commitment to peace, nonviolence, human rights, and democracy in Burma. Signed on May 6, 2008. (Public Law 110–209).

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,
MAY 7, 2008**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Labor, 9:45 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the United States intelligence community, 10:30 a.m., S–407, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission, 3 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine United States credit markets, focusing on the regulation of investment banks by the

United States Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Space, Aeronautics, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of vision for space exploration, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine the state of the airline industry, focusing on the impact of the Delta/Northwest airlines merger, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider the nominations of Jeffrey F. Kupfer, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, and Kameran L. Onley, of Washington, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and other pending legislation, 9:45 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Sector Solutions to Global Warming, Oversight, and Children's Health Protection, to hold an oversight hearing to examine science and environmental regulatory decisions, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Marcia Stephens Bloom Bernicat, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Senegal, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, Gillian Arlette Milovanovic, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mali, Donald Gene Teitelbaum, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana, Linda Thomas-Greenfield, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia, Peter William Bodde, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malawi, Donald E. Booth, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia, Marianne Matuzic Myles, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cape Verde, and Stephen James Nolan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana, and Patricia McMahan Hawkins, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic, all of the Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine international Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism (the "Convention"), adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on April 13, 2005, and signed on behalf of the United States of America on September 14, 2005 (Treaty Doc.110–04), amendment to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (the "Amendment"). A conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, adopted on October 28, 1979, adopted the Amendment on July 8, 2005, at the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna (Treaty Doc.110–06), and protocol of 2005 to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation (the "2005 SUA Protocol") and the Protocol of 2005 to the Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms Located on the Continental Shelf (the "2005 Fixed Platforms Protocol") (together, "the Protocols"), adopted by the International Maritime