

recorded vote of 128 ayes to 287 noes, Roll No. 355);

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Franks (AZ) amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 110–666) that sought to add \$719 million (by offset) to the Missile Defense Agency's Budget (by a recorded vote of 186 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 356);

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Tierney amendment (No. 23 printed in H. Rept. 110–666) that sought to reduce funding (by offset) for the Missile Defense Agency by \$966.2 million (by a recorded vote of 122 ayes to 292 noes, Roll No. 357); and

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Pearce amendment (No. 33 printed in H. Rept. 110–666) that sought to remove \$10 million in funding for energy conservation on military installations and increase funding for the Reliable Replacement Warhead program by \$10 million (by a recorded vote of 145 ayes to 271 noes, Roll No. 358).

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Withdrawn:

Flake amendment (No. 22 printed in H. Rept. 110–666) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have prohibited any funds appropriated to carry out H.R. 5658 from being used for a library/lifelong learning center at Marine Corps Base Twentynine Palms, California. (See next issue.)

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. (See next issue.)

H. Res. 1218, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 223 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 351, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 350.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, June 4th. (See next issue.)

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 June 3, 2008. (See next issue.)

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H4778.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 85 was held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea-and-nay votes and eleven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4467–68, H4468, H4469, H4654–55, H4655–56 (continued next issue). There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and at 10:35 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of H. Con.

Res. 355, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 3, 2008.

Committee Meetings

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing on Capitol Visitor Center. Testimony was heard from Office of the Architect of the Capitol: Stephen Ayers, Acting Architect; Terrie Rouse, CEO, Visitor Services; and Bernie Ungar, Project Executive, both with the Capitol Visitor Center; and Terry Dorn, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO.

U.S. MAINLAND EXOTIC DISEASE RESEARCH

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Germs, Viruses, and Secrets: Government Plans to Move Exotic Disease Research to the Mainland United States." Testimony was heard from Nancy R. Kingsbury, Managing Director, Applied Research and Methods, GAO; Bruce I. Knight, Under Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, USDA; Jay M. Cohen, Under Secretary, Science and Technology Directorate, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

CONFORMING LOAN LIMIT INCREASE

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled "Impact on Homebuyers and Housing Market of Conforming Loan Limit Increase." Testimony was heard from Heather Peters, Deputy Secretary, Business Regulation and Housing, State of California; and public witnesses.

OIL PRICES AND HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held a hearing on Rising Oil Prices: Declining National Security? Testimony was heard from David Sandalow, former Assistant Secretary of State; and public witnesses.

U.S. HUMAN RIGHTS/DEMOCRACY PROMOTION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight held a hearing on City on the Hill or Just Another Country? The United States and the Promotion of Human Rights and Democracy. Testimony was heard from John Shattuck, former U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor and former U.S. Ambassador to the Czech Republic; and a public witness.

BORDER SECURITY CHALLENGES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism held a hearing on The Border Security Challenge: Recent Developments and Legislative Proposals, focusing on the following bills: H.R. 5662, Putting Our Resources Towards Security (PORTS) Act; H.R. 5552, Border Accountability Act of 2008; H.R. 4088, SAVE Act of 2007; and H.R. 3531, Accountability in Enforcing Immigration Laws Act of 2007. Testimony was heard from Representatives Reyes, Bilbray, Ginny Brown-Waite of Florida; Giffords, and Shuler; and the following officials of the U. S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security: Thomas S. Winkowski, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations; Chief David V. Aguilar, Office of Border Patrol; and MG Michael C. Kostelnik, USAF (Ret.), Assistant Commissioner, Office of Air and Marine.

GAS PRICES AND OIL INDUSTRY COMPETITION

Committee on the Judiciary: Task Force on Competition Policy and Antitrust Laws held a hearing on Retail Gas Prices, Part 2, Competition in the Oil Industry. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EARTHQUAKE HAZARDS PROGRAM

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on The United States Geological Survey's Earthquake Hazards Program—Science, Preparation, and Response. Testimony was heard from David Applegate, Senior Science Advisor, Earthquakes, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 5511, Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Remediation Act of 2008; and H.R. 5710, Eastern New Mexico Rural Water System Authorization Act.

IRAQ FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY LAPSES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing on Accountability Lapses in Multiple Funds for Iraq. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Office of the Inspector General, Department of Defense: Mary L. Ugone, Deputy Inspector General, Auditing; Patricia Marsh, Assistant Inspector General; and Daniel Blair, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Defense, both with the Defense Financing Auditing Service Directorate.

MORTGAGE CRISIS-AFFLICTED NEIGHBORHOODS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, and the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity of the Committee on Financial Services, joint hearing on Neighborhoods: Targeting Federal aid to neighborhoods distressed by the subprime mortgage crisis. Testimony was heard from Todd M. Richardson, Director, Program Evaluation Division, Office of Policy Development and Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

U.S. JOBS/TECHNOLOGY GLOBALIZATION IMPACTS

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigation and Oversight held a hearing on American Decline or Renewal?—Globalization Jobs and Technology. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REAL ESTATE SETTLEMENT PROCEDURES ACT

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled “RESPA and its Impact on Small Business.” Testimony was heard from Ivy Jackson, Director, Office of Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act and Interstate Land Sales, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 5001, amended, Old Post Office Building Redevelopment Act of 2008; H.R. 6109, Pre-Disaster Mitigation Act of 2008; and H.R. 6003, amended, Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008.

VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION OUTREACH

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on Examining the Effectiveness of VBA Outreach Efforts. Testimony was heard from Diana Rubens, Associate Deputy Under Secretary, Field Operations, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Leslye Arsht, Deputy Under Secretary, Military Community and Family Policy; and Kevin Crowley, Deputy Director, Manpower Personnel, National Guard Bureau; and representatives of veterans organizations

VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION HUMAN RESOURCES CHALLENGES

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Human Resources Challenges within the Veterans Health Administration. Testimony was heard from Joleen Clark, Chief Officer, Workforce Management and Consulting, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—COUNTERNARCOTICS PROGRAM

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence met in executive session to receive a briefing on Counternarcotics Program. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

ADMINISTRATION'S ENERGY POLICY

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing entitled "Oversight of the

Bush Administration's Energy Policy." Testimony was heard from Samuel W. Bodman, Secretary of Energy.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D638)

H.R. 493, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment. Signed on May 21, 2008. (Public Law 110-233)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.