

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 6167–6174; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 366–367; and H. Res. 1235, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: A report was filed on May 23, 2008 as follows:

H.R. 6028, to authorize law enforcement and security assistance, and assistance to enhance the rule of law and strengthen civilian institutions, for Mexico and the countries of Central America, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–673, Pt. 1).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5599, to designate the Federal building located at 4600 Silver Hill Road in Suitland, Maryland, as the “Thomas Jefferson Census Bureau Headquarters Building” (H. Rept. 110–674);

H. Con. Res. 311, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby (H. Rept. 110–675);

H. Con. Res. 335, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a celebration of the 100th anniversary of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated (H. Rept. 110–676);

H. Res. 1233, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5540) to amend the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998 to provide for the continuing authorization of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network (H. Rept. 110–677); and

H. Res. 1234, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3021) to direct the Secretary of Education to make grants and low-interest loans to local educational agencies for the construction, modernization, or repair of public kindergarten, elementary, and secondary educational facilities (H. Rept. 110–678).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Jackson (IL) to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Felipe Goodman, Temple Beth Shalom, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Maryland, Mr. Wynn, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 434.

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

Supporting National Men’s Health Week: H. Con. Res. 138, amended, to support National Men’s Health Week, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 362 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 367;

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Recognizing the State of Minnesota’s 150th anniversary: H. Res. 923, to recognize the State of Minnesota’s 150th anniversary, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 363 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 368;

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Supporting the goals and ideals of the Arbor Day Foundation and National Arbor Day: H. Res. 1114, to support the goals and ideals of the Arbor Day Foundation and National Arbor Day, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 364 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 369;

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Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 1734, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 630 Northeast Killingsworth Avenue in Portland, Oregon, as the “Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Post Office”;

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Chi Mui Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 5477, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 120 South Del Mar Avenue in San Gabriel, California, as the “Chi Mui Post Office Building”;

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Senior Executive Service Diversity Assurance Act: H.R. 3774, amended, to provide for greater diversity within, and to improve policy direction and oversight of, the Senior Executive Service;

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Telework Improvements Act of 2008: H.R. 4106, amended, to improve teleworking in executive agencies by developing a telework program that allows employees to telework at least 20 percent of the hours worked in every 2 administrative workweeks;

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Federal Food Donation Act of 2008: S. 2420, to encourage the donation of excess food to nonprofit organizations that provide assistance to food-insecure people in the United States in contracts entered into by executive agencies for the provision, service, or sale of food—clearing the measure for the President; and

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Federal Agency Data Protection Act: H.R. 4791, amended, to amend title 44, United States Code, to

strengthen requirements for ensuring the effectiveness of information security controls over information resources that support Federal operations and assets. **Pages H4853–56**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:06 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H4856**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H4836–37.

Senate Referrals: S. 2062 and S. 2420 were held at the desk and S. 1965 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. **Pages H4836–37, H4874**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4856–57, H4857 and H4857–58. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Committee Meetings

21ST CENTURY GREEN HIGH-PERFORMING PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 6 to 2, a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate on H.R. 3021, the 21st Century Green High-Performing Public School Facilities Act, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor. 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 Education and Labor 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 report of the Committee on Rules. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the Rules Committee report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the Rules Committee 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 pro-

vides 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 George Miller of California and Representatives Arcuri, McKeon, Ehlers, Bishop of Utah, Hastings of Washington, Brady of Texas, and Kirk.

CHESAPEAKE BAY GATEWAYS AND WATERTRAILS NETWORK CONTINUING AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate on H.R. 5540, Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Continuing Authorization Act, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill.

The rule makes in order only the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report if offered by Representative Bishop of Utah or his designee. The amendment shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for twenty minutes equally divided and controlled by a proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House.

The rule waives all points of order against the amendment except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides one motion to recommit the bill with or without instructions. Finally, 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 Representatives Sarbanes and Bishop of Utah.

Joint Meetings

KOSOVO MINORITY COMMUNITIES

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine the challenges to minority communities in Kosovo, after receiving testimony from Knut Vollebaek, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Vienna, Austria.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D670)

H.R. 2356, to amend title 4, United States Code, to encourage the display of the flag of the United