

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 36 public bills, H.R. 6996–7031; and 10 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 423–424; and H. Res. 1480–1487, were introduced. **Pages H9083–85**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H9085–86**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 758, to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for mastectomies, lumpectomies, and lymph node dissection for the treatment of breast cancer and coverage for secondary consultations, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–868, Pt. 1);

H.R. 6353, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to address online pharmacies, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–869, Pt. 1);

H.R. 6908, to require that limitations and restrictions on coverage under group health plans be timely disclosed to group health plan sponsors and timely communicated to participants and beneficiaries under such plans in a form that is easily understandable (H. Rept. 110–870, Pt. 1);

H.R. 2994, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to pain care, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–871);

H.R. 2583, to amend title VII of the Public Health Service Act to establish a loan program for eligible hospitals to establish residency training programs, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–872);

H.R. 1532, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to making progress toward the goal of eliminating tuberculosis, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–873);

H.R. 1014, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act to improve the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in women, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–874);

H. Res. 1488, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 2638) making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008 (H. Rept. 110–875); and

H. Res. 1489, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 110–876). **Pages H9082–83**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Stupak to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H8581**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Page H8584**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Monday, September 22nd:

Great Lakes—St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact: S. J. Res. 45, to express the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate compact regarding water resources in the Great Lakes—St. Lawrence River Basin, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 390 yeas to 25 nays, Roll No. 621; **Pages H8597–98**

Filipino Veterans Equity Act of 2008: H.R. 6897, amended, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make certain payments to eligible persons who served in the Philippines during World War II, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 392 yeas to 23 nays, Roll No. 624; **Pages H8613–14**

Elder Abuse Victims Act of 2008: H.R. 5352, amended, to protect seniors in the United States from elder abuse by establishing specialized elder abuse prosecution and research programs and activities to aid victims of elder abuse and to provide training to prosecutors and other law enforcement related to elder abuse prevention and protection, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 387 yeas to 28 nays, Roll No. 626; and **Page H8658**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To protect seniors in the United States from elder abuse by establishing specialized elder abuse prosecution and research programs and activities to aid victims of elder abuse, to provide training to prosecutors and other law enforcement related to elder abuse prevention and protection, to establish programs that provide for emergency crisis response teams to combat elder abuse, and for other purposes.”. **Page H8658**

College Fire Prevention Act: H.R. 642, amended, to establish a demonstration incentive program within the Department of Education to promote installation of fire sprinkler systems, or other fire suppression or prevention technologies, in qualified student housing and dormitories, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 365 yeas to 51 nays, Roll No. 627. **Pages H8658–59**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To establish the Honorable Stephanie Tubbs Jones Fire

Suppression Demonstration Incentive Program within the Department of Education to promote installation of fire sprinkler systems, or other fire suppression or prevention technologies, in qualified student housing and dormitories, and for other purposes.”

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Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights Act of 2008: The House passed H.R. 5244, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to establish fair and transparent practices relating to the extension of credit under an open end consumer credit plan, by a recorded vote of 312 ayes to 112 noes, Roll No. 623.

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Rejected the Castle motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House promptly with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 198 yeas to 219 nays, Roll No. 622.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted.

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H. Res. 1476, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 220 yeas to 194 noes, Roll No. 620, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 619.

Pages H8590–97

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

Federal Aviation Administration Extension Act of 2008, Part II: H.R. 6984, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund;

Pages H8588–90

Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008: H.R. 6983, amended, to amend section 712 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, section 2705 of the Public Health Service Act, and section 9812 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require equity in the provision of mental health and substance-related disorder benefits under group health plans, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 376 yeas to 47 nays, Roll No. 625;

Pages H8614–25, H8657–58

Recognizing the 150th anniversary year of the founding of Macy's, Inc.: H. Res. 1473, to recognize the 150th anniversary year of the founding of Macy's, Inc., as an American entrepreneurial success story and the role Macy's, Inc., plays in supporting America's small businesses and vendors, including those that are minority and women owned; to celebrate the vision, innovativeness, and ingenuity of all

of our Nation's small businesses that aspire to grow and prosper as Macy's, Inc., has over its 150-year history; and to congratulate Macy's, Inc., as an American entrepreneurial success story;

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United States-Republic of Korea Defense Cooperation Improvement Act of 2008: H.R. 5443, to improve defense cooperation between the Republic of Korea and the United States;

Pages H8626–28

Requiring the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, to provide detailed briefings to Congress on any recent discussions conducted between United States Government and the Government of Taiwan and any potential transfer of defense articles or defense services to the Government of Taiwan: H.R. 6646, amended, to require the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, to provide detailed briefings to Congress on any recent discussions conducted between United States Government and the Government of Taiwan and any potential transfer of defense articles or defense services to the Government of Taiwan;

Pages H8628–30

Condemning sexual violence in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and calling on the international community to take immediate actions to respond to the violence: H. Res. 1227, amended, to condemn sexual violence in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and to call on the international community to take immediate actions to respond to the violence;

Pages H8632–33

Remembering the 75th anniversary of the Ukrainian Famine-Genocide of 1932–1933 and extending the deepest sympathies of the House of Representatives to the victims, survivors, and families of this tragedy: H. Res. 1314, amended, to remember the 75th anniversary of the Ukrainian Famine-Genocide of 1932–1933 and to extend the deepest sympathies of the House of Representatives to the victims, survivors, and families of this tragedy;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Remembering the 75th anniversary of the Ukrainian Famine (Holodomor) of 1932–1933 and extending the deepest sympathies of the House of Representatives to the victims, survivors, and families of this tragedy, and for other purposes.”

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Supporting a transition to democracy through free, fair, credible, peaceful, and transparent elections in Bangladesh: H. Res. 1402, to support a transition to democracy through free, fair, credible, peaceful, and transparent elections in Bangladesh;

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Recognizing the 70th anniversary of the 1938 occurrence of Kristallnacht, The Night of Broken Glass: H. Res. 1435, to recognize the 70th anniversary of the 1938 occurrence of Kristallnacht, The Night of Broken Glass; **Pages H8637–38**

Strongly supporting an immediate and just restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated during the last century by Nazi and Communist regimes: H. Con. Res. 371, amended, to strongly support an immediate and just restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated during the last century by Nazi and Communist regimes; **Pages H8645–47**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should lead a high-level diplomatic effort to defeat the campaign by some members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to divert the United Nations' Durban Review Conference from a review of problems in their own and other countries by attacking Israel, promoting anti-Semitism, and undermining the Universal Charter of Human Rights and to ensure that the Durban Review Conference serves as a forum to review commitments to combat all forms of racism: H. Res. 1361, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should lead a high-level diplomatic effort to defeat the campaign by some members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to divert the United Nations' Durban Review Conference from a review of problems in their own and other countries by attacking Israel, promoting anti-Semitism, and undermining the Universal Charter of Human Rights and to ensure that the Durban Review Conference serves as a forum to review commitments to combat all forms of racism; **Pages H8647–52**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should lead a high-level diplomatic effort to ensure that the Durban Review Conference serves as a forum to review implementation of commitments made at the 2001 Durban Conference to combat all forms of racism by defeating the campaign by some members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to divert the United Nation's Durban Review Conference from a review of problems in their own and other countries by attacking Israel, promoting anti-Semitism, and undermining the Universal Declaration of Human Rights." **Page H8652**

Recognizing nongovernmental organizations working to bring just and lasting peace between Israelis and Palestinians: H. Res. 1369, to recognize nongovernmental organizations working to

bring just and lasting peace between Israelis and Palestinians; **Pages H8652–55**

Supporting the spirit of peace and desire for unity displayed in the letter from 138 leading Muslim scholars, and in the Pope's response: H. Con. Res. 374, amended, to support the spirit of peace and desire for unity displayed in the letter from 138 leading Muslim scholars, and in the Pope's response; **Pages H8655–57**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Supporting Christian, Jewish, and Muslim interfaith dialogue that promotes peace, understanding, unity, and religious freedom." **Page H8657**

North Korean Human Rights Reauthorization Act of 2008: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 5834, to amend the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004 to promote respect for the fundamental human rights of the people of North Korea—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H8659–61**

Health Insurance Source of Injury Clarification Act of 2008: H.R. 6908, amended, to require that limitations and restrictions on coverage under group health plans be timely disclosed to group health plan sponsors and timely communicated to participants and beneficiaries under such plans in a form that is easily understandable; **Pages H8666–68**

Healthy Start Reauthorization Act: S. 1760, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the Healthy Start Initiative—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H8670–71**

Physician Workforce Enhancement Act of 2008: H.R. 2583, amended, to amend title VII of the Public Health Service Act to establish a loan program for eligible hospitals to establish residency training programs; **Pages H8681–82**

Supporting the We Don't Serve Teens campaign: H. Res. 1042, amended, to support the We Don't Serve Teens campaign; **Pages H8682–84**

Expressing the sense of the House that there should be an increased Federal commitment prioritizing prevention and public health for all people in the United States: H. Res. 1381, amended, to express the sense of the House that there should be an increased Federal commitment prioritizing prevention and public health for all people in the United States; **Pages H8686–88**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Expressing the sense of the House that there should be an increased public and private commitment prioritizing prevention and public health for all people in the United States." **Page H8688**

Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008: H.R. 6353, amended, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to address online pharmacies; **Page H8691**

Defense Production Act Extension and Reauthorization of 2008: H.R. 6894, to extend and reauthorize the Defense Production Act of 1950; and **Pages H8699–H8700**

Extending the authorization of the national flood insurance program: H.R. 6965, to extend the authorization of the national flood insurance program. **Pages H8705–06**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the United States commitment to preservation of religious and cultural sites and condemning instances where sites are desecrated: H. Con. Res. 255, amended, to express the sense of Congress regarding the United States commitment to preservation of religious and cultural sites and condemning instances where sites are desecrated; **Pages H8630–32**

Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission Establishment Resolution: H. Res. 1451, to establish the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission in the House of Representatives; **Pages H8638–43**

Recognizing the 10th anniversary of the terrorist bombings of the United States embassies in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and the memorializing of the citizens and families of the United States, the Republic of Kenya, and the United Republic of Tanzania whose lives were lost and injured as a result of these attacks: H. Res. 1461, amended, to recognize the 10th anniversary of the terrorist bombings of the United States embassies in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and the memorializing of the citizens and families of the United States, the Republic of Kenya, and the United Republic of Tanzania whose lives were lost and injured as a result of these attacks; **Pages H8643–45**

Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act of 2008: H.R. 758, amended, to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for mastectomies, lumpectomies, and lymph node dissection for the treatment of breast cancer and coverage for secondary consultations; **Pages H8661–66**

Organ Transplant Authorization Act of 2008: H.R. 6469, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize increased Federal funding for the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network; **Pages H8668–70**

Comprehensive Tuberculosis Elimination Act of 2008: H.R. 1532, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to making progress toward the goal of eliminating tuberculosis; **Pages H8671–74**

National Pain Care Policy Act of 2008: H.R. 2994, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to pain care; **Pages H8674–76**

Paul D. Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Community Assistance, Research, and Education Amendments of 2008: H.R. 5265, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for research with respect to various forms of muscular dystrophy, including Becker, congenital, distal, Duchenne, Emery-Dreifuss facioscapulohumeral, limb-girdle, myotonic, and oculopharyngeal, muscular dystrophies; **Pages H8676–78**

Meth Free Families and Communities Act: H.R. 6901, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of a drug-free workplace information clearinghouse, to support residential methamphetamine treatment programs for pregnant and parenting women, and to improve the prevention and treatment of methamphetamine addiction; **Pages H8678–81**

Supporting the goals and ideals of “National Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Month”: H. Con. Res. 393, to support the goals and ideals of “National Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Month”; **Pages H8684–85**

Designating the month of March 2008 as “MRSA Awareness Month”: H. Res. 988, amended, to designate the month of March 2008 as “MRSA Awareness Month”; **Pages H8685–86**

Heart Disease Education, Analysis Research, and Treatment for Women Act: H.R. 1014, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act to improve the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in women; **Pages H8688–91**

Code Talkers Recognition Act of 2008: H.R. 4544, amended, to require the issuance of medals to recognize the dedication and valor of Native American code talkers; **Pages H8696–99**

Stephanie Tubbs Jones Gift of Life Medal Act of 2008: H.R. 6950, to establish the Stephanie Tubbs Jones Gift of Life Medal for organ donors and the family of organ donors; and **Pages H8700–03**

Family Self-Sufficiency Act: H.R. 3018, to provide for payment of an administrative fee to public housing agencies to cover the costs of administering family self-sufficiency programs in connection with

the housing choice voucher program of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:39 p.m. and reconvened at 12:08 a.m. on Wednesday, September 24th.

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Lance Corporal Eric Paul Valdepenas Post Office Building Designation Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6874, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 156 Taunton Avenue in Seekonk, Massachusetts, as the “Lance Corporal Eric Paul Valdepenas Post Office Building”.

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Honoring the 225th Anniversary of the Continental Congress meeting in Nassau Hall, Princeton, New Jersey, in 1783: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 351, to honor the 225th Anniversary of the Continental Congress meeting in Nassau Hall, Princeton, New Jersey, in 1783.

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Commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Naming of Pittsburgh as the culmination of the Forbes Campaign across Pennsylvania and the significance this event played in the making of America, in the settlement of the Continent, and in spreading the ideals of freedom and democracy throughout the world: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1000, to commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the Naming of Pittsburgh as the culmination of the Forbes Campaign across Pennsylvania and the significance this event played in the making of America, in the settlement of the Continent, and in spreading the ideals of freedom and democracy throughout the world.

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Congratulating Michael Phelps, 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics champion swimmer, on winning 8 gold medals in the Games of the XXIX Olympiad and becoming one of the most highly decorated athletes in Olympic history: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1418, to congratulate Michael Phelps, 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics champion swimmer, on winning 8 gold medals in the Games of the XXIX Olympiad and becoming one of the most highly decorated athletes in Olympic history.

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Reverend Earl Abel Post Office Building Designation Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6198, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1700 Cleveland Avenue in Kansas City, Missouri, as the “Reverend Earl Abel Post Office Building”.

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Supporting the goals and ideals of Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 1453, to support the goals and ideals of Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month.

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Honoring professional surveyors and recognizing their contributions to society: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 223, to honor professional surveyors and recognizing their contributions to society.

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Kenneth Peter Zebrowski Post Office Building Designation Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6199, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 245 North Main Street in New City, New York, as the “Kenneth Peter Zebrowski Post Office Building”.

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Supporting the goals and ideals of National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 671, to support the goals and ideals of National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.

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CeeCee Ross Lyles Post Office Building Designation Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 3241, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1717 Orange Avenue in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the “CeeCee Ross Lyles Post Office Building”—clearing the measure for the President.

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Murphy A. Tannehill Post Office Building Designation Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 3511, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2150 East Hardtner Drive in Urania, Louisiana, as the “Murphy A. Tannehill Post Office Building”.

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Recognizing and celebrating the 232nd anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 386, to recognize and to celebrate the 232nd anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H8594.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 93 and S. Con. Res. 96 were held at the desk; S. 3341 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform; and S. 1193 was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8596–97, H8597,

H8597–98, H8612–13, H8613, H8614, H8657–58, H8658, and H8659. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:16 a.m. on Wednesday, September 24th.

Committee Meetings

TRANSFORMING THE NATION'S FOREIGN LANGUAGE CAPACITY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Department of Defense's work with states, universities and students to transform the nation's foreign language capacity. Testimony was heard from Robert O. Slater, Director, National Security Education Program, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

CHILD LABOR ENFORCEMENT: ARE WE PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on Child Labor Enforcement: Are We Adequately Protecting our Children. Testimony was heard from Alexander Passantino, Acting Administrator, Wage and Hour Administration, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported the following legislation: H.R. 1283, Arthritis Prevention, Control, and Cure Act of 2007; H.R. 3232, Travel Promotion Act of 2007; H.R. 3402, Calling Card Consumer Protection Act; H.R. 1157, Breast Cancer and Environmental Research Act of 2007; legislation to amend Part II of the Federal Power Act to address potential cybersecurity threats to the bulk power system; and H.R. 6568, amended, Tom Lantos Pulmonary Hypertension Research and Education Act of 2008.

HURRICANES IN HAITI: DISASTER AND RECOVERY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere held a hearing on the Hurricanes in Haiti: Disaster and Recovery. Testimony was heard from the following Representatives: Maxine Waters; Alcee L. Hastings; Barbara Lee; Kendrick B. Meek; Yvette D. Clarke; and Donna F. Edwards; Kirsten D. Madison, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; RADM Joseph D. Kernan, Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Southern Command, U.S. 4th Fleet, Department of Defense; Jose R. Cardenas, Acting Assistant Administrator, Latin America and Caribbean Bureau, U.S. Agency for International Development; and a public witness.

PREVENTION OF EQUINE CRUELTY ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported H.R. 6598, amended, Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act of 2008.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION REVIEW

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law held a hearing on the Executive Office for Immigration Review. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Lee Lofthus, Assistant Attorney General, Administration; and Kevin Ohlson, Director, Executive Office for Immigration Review; and public witnesses.

IDENTIFYING LABOR SOLUTIONS FOR THE GUAM MILITARY BUILD-UP

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs held an oversight hearing on Identifying Labor Solutions for the Guam Military Build-Up. Testimony was heard from Douglas W. Domenech, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; Major Gen. David F. Bice, USMC Retired, Executive Director, Joint Guam Program Office, Department of Defense; and Maria S. Connelley, Director, Guam Department of Labor and public witnesses.

NECESSARY REFORM TO PEDIATRIC DENTAL CARE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing on Necessary Reform to Pediatric Dental Care under Medicaid. Testimony was heard from Herb B. Kuhn, Acting Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; Department Health and Human Services; Alicia Cackley, Acting Director, Health Care Team, GAO; and public witnesses.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE SENATE AMENDMENT TO THE BILL (H.R. 2638) MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2008, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 9–4, a rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 2638), the Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009. The resolution would make in order a motion offered by the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations that the House