

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

concur in the Senate amendment with the amendment printed in this report. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion except those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI. The motion shall be debatable for 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. Notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone consideration of the motion to a time designated by the Speaker. The rule requires the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations to insert in the Congressional Record dated September 24, 2008, such material as he may deem explanatory of the motion. Testimony was heard from Chairman Obey.

WAIVING A REQUIREMENT OF CLAUSE 6(a) OF RULE XIII WITH RESPECT TO CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to any resolution reported on the legislative day of September 24, 2008, providing for consideration or disposition of a measure to provide incentives for energy production and conservation, to extend certain expiring provisions, to provide individual income tax relief, and for other purposes.

FEMA'S RESPONSE TO THE 2008 HURRICANE SEASON AND THE NATIONAL HOUSING STRATEGY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management held a hearing on FEMA's Response to the 2008 Hurricane Season and the National Housing Strategy. Testimony was heard from ADM. Harvey Johnson, Deputy Administrator and Chief Operating Officer, FEMA; Cynthia Fagnoni, Managing Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues, GAO; Ray Nagin, Mayor, City of New Orleans, Louisiana; and public witnesses.

MEDIA OUTREACH TO VETERANS: AN UPDATE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Media Outreach to Veterans: An Update. Testimony was heard from Lisette M. Mondello, Assistant Secretary, Public and Inter-

governmental Affairs, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

HEALTH OF THE PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKET

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Health of the Private Health Insurance market. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session for a briefing on the CIA's Clandestine Service. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Mark Everett Keenum, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration for a term ending May 21, 2014, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Full Committee, with the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery, to hold joint hearings to examine the effectiveness of agricultural disaster assistance programs in the wake of the 2008 Midwest floods, Hurricane Gustav, and Hurricane Ike, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Interstate Commerce, Trade, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine the imbalance in United States-Korea automobile trade, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the safety and security of spent nuclear fuel transportation, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the Bush Administration's environmental record at the Department of the Interior and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine Africa's management of its extractive industries, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of James Franklin Jeffrey, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, and Gene Allan Cretz, of New York, to be Ambassador to Libya, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery, with the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold joint hearings to examine the effectiveness of agricultural disaster assistance programs in the wake of the 2008 Midwest floods, Hurricane Gustav, and Hurricane Ike, 10 a.m., SR-328A.