

Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service: H. Con. Res. 38, to authorize the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service. **Pages H3122–23**

Privileged Resolution: The House agreed to table H. Res. 228, raising a question of the privileges of the House, by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 184 nays with 14 voting "present", Roll No. 113.

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Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress—Reappointment: Read a letter from the Clerk of the House wherein she reappointed Mr. Bernard Forrester of Houston, Texas to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress. **Page H3127**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H3109–10.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 4 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and S. Con. Res. 10 was referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3125, H3126, and H3126–27. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Major Challenges Facing Federal Prisons, Parts I and II. Testimony was heard from Harley Lappin, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Offender Drug Abuse Treatment Approaches. Testimony was heard from a public witness.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Marine Corps Ground Equipment. Testimony was heard from LTG George J. Flynn, USMC, Department of Defense; Deputy Commandant, Combat Development and Integration.

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on Secure Border Initiative and Control of the Land Border, and on Department of Homeland Security Response to Violence on the Border with Mexico. Testimony was heard from

the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Jayson Ahern, Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, David Aguilar, Chief, U.S. Border Patrol, Mark Koumans, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Affairs; and March Forman, Director, Office of Investigations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and a public witness.

STATE AND FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State and Foreign Operations held a hearing on The Merida Initiative. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Thomas Shannon, Assistant Secretary, Western Hemisphere Affairs; David Johnson, Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement; Roger Garner, Mission Director for Mexico, U.S. Agency for International Development; and public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies, hearing on Department of Transportation Inspector General and GAO, Top Management Challenges and High Risk. Testimony was heard from Calvin Scovel, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; and Katherine Siggerud, Managing Director, Physical Infrastructure Team, GAO.

LITTORAL COMBAT SHIP PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces held a hearing on Littoral Combat Ship program update. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy, Department of Defense: RADM Victor G. Guillory, USN, Director, Surface Warfare Division, N86; RADM William E. Landay, USN, Program Executive Officer, Ships; and E. Anne Sandel, Program Executive Officer, Littoral and Mine Warfare.

STRENGTHENING EMPLOYER-BASED HEALTH CARE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions held a hearing on Strengthening Employer-Based Health Care. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COAL FUTURE UNDER CLIMATE LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on the Future of

Coal under Climate Legislation. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HEALTH CARE SYSTEM REFORM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Making Health Care Work for American Families with emphasis on Designing a High Performance Healthcare System. Testimony was heard from Glenn Hackbarth, Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission; Alan Levine, Secretary, Department of Health and Hospitals, State of Louisiana; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL CYBERSECURITY MISSION

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology held a hearing entitled "Reviewing the Federal Cybersecurity Mission." Testimony was heard from Dave Powner, Director, Information Technology and Management Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

PERFORMANCE RIGHTS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 848, Performance Rights Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

STATE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY COMPLIANCE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security held a hearing on Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA): Barriers to Timely Compliance by States. Testimony was heard from Laura Rogers, Previous Director, SMART Office, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL POWER MARKETING BORROWING AUTHORITY

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held an oversight hearing on Federal Power Marketing Administration Borrowing Authority: Defining Success. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Timothy Meeks, Administrator, Western Area Power Administration; and Steve Wright, Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration; Steve Ellenbecker, Energy Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor, State of Wyoming; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 1387, amended, Electronic Message Preservation Act; H.R. 1320, Federal Advisory Committee Act Amendments of 2009; H.R. 1323, Reducing Information Control Designations Act; H. Res. 166, Recognizing the 450th birthday of the settlement of Pensacola, Flor-

ida, and encouraging the people of the United States to observe the 450th birthday of the settlement of Pensacola, Florida, and remember how the rich history of Pensacola, Florida, has likewise contributed to the rich history of the United States; H. Res. 178, Expressing the need for enhanced public awareness of traumatic brain injury and support for the designation of a National Brain Injury Awareness Month; H. Res. 211, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Women's History Month; H.R. 918, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 East 3rd Street in Jamestown, New York, as the "Stan Lundine Post Office Building;" H.R. 955, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10355 Northeast Valley Road in Rollingbay, Washington, as the "John 'Bud' Hawk Post Office;" H.R. 987, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 601 8th Street in Freedom, Pennsylvania, as the "John Scott Challis, Jr. Post Office;" H.R. 1216, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building;" H.R. 1217, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15455 Manchester Road in Ballwin, Missouri, as the "Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building;" H.R. 1218, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building;" and H.R. 1284, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Services located at 103 West Main Street in McLain, Mississippi, as the "Major Ed W. Freeman Post Office."

SAME-DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Committee 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 March 11, 2009, providing for consideration or disposition of any measure making appropriations for the fiscal year 2009, and for other purposes. The rule provides that House Resolutions 218 and 219 are laid on the table.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY—FORENSIC SCIENCE ROLE

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States: The Role of the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Testimony was heard from Pete Marone, Director, Technical Services, Department of Forensic Science, State of Virginia; John Hicks, former, FBI Laboratory, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Lands and Emergency Management held a hearing on EDA Reauthorization: Rating Past Performances and Setting Goals During an Economic Crisis. Testimony was heard from the Sandra R. Walters, Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, Economic Development Administration, Department of Transportation; Jonathan Sallet, former Assistant to the Secretary and Director, Office of Planning and Strategic Planning, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

VA BUDGET REQUEST FISCAL YEAR 2010

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2010. Testimony was heard from Eric K. Shinseki, Secretary of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade met for organizational purposes.

Joint Meetings

CLIMATE REMEDIATION POLICIES

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine the impact of potential climate remediation policies on carbon-intensive United States industries and creating climate-friendly economic and trade policies, focusing on ways the financial crisis impacts the implementation of climate-friendly policies within the United States and among trading partners, after receiving testimony from Richard D. Morgenstern, Resources for the Future, Trevor Houser, Rhodium Group Peterson Institute for International Economics, and Rob Bradley, World Resources Institute, all of Washington, DC.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 231)

S. 234, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2105 East Cook Street in Springfield, Illinois, as the "Colonel John H. Wilson, Jr. Post Office Building". Signed on March 9, 2009. (Public Law 111-7)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine violent Islamist extremism, focusing on al-Shabaab recruitment in America, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties to examine S.J. Res. 7 and H.J. Res. 21, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to the election of Senators, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold hearings to examine voter registration, focusing on assessing current problems, 10 a.m., SR-301.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review animal identification systems, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on Assessment of the Serious and Violent Offender Reentry Initiative, 9:30 a.m., on Innovative Prisoner Reentry, 1:30 p.m., and 3 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Soldier Equipment, Ergonomics and Injuries, 10 a.m., and executive, on Army and Marine Corps Readiness, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Financial Services, and Government Operations, on SEC Actions Relating to the Financial Crisis, 10 a.m., 2220 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on U.S. Forest Service Oversight, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on security challenges arising from the global financial crisis, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on Tracking and Disrupting Terrorist Financial Networks: A Potential Model for Inter-Agency Success? 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.