

after receiving testimony from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security.

STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine helping State and local law enforcement, after receiving testimony from Thomas Perrelli, Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; Chief Edward A. Flynn, Milwaukee Police Department, Milwaukee, WI; Lieutenant Kristian Carlson, Burlington Police Department, Burlington, VT; and David B. Muhlhausen, Heritage Foundation Center for Data Analysis, Washington, DC.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Gerard E. Lynch, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, who was introduced by Senator Gillibrand, and Mary L. Smith, of Illinois,

to be Assistant Attorney General, Tax Division, Department of Justice, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Roger W. Baker, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology, William A. Gunn, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Jose D. Riojas, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary for Operations, Security, and Preparedness, and John U. Sepulveda, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Human Resources, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 34 public bills, H.R. 2343–2345, 2347–2377; and 9 resolutions, H. Con. Res.123–124; and H. Res. 424–426, 428–431 were introduced. **Pages H5483–85**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5485–86**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2101, to promote reform and independence in the oversight of weapons system acquisition by the Department of Defense, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–101);

H.R. 2020, to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize activities for support of networking and information technology research, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–102);

H.R. 31, to provide for the recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–103);

H.R. 1385, to extend Federal recognition to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe-Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe, Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nansemond Indian Tribe, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–104);

H.R. 2346, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009 (H. Rept. 111–105); and

H. Res. 427, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2187) to direct the Secretary of Education to make grants to State educational agencies for the modernization, renovation, or repair of public school facilities (H. Rept. 111–106). **Page H5483**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Costa to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H5407**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:50 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H5409**

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

Supporting the goals and ideals of "IEEE Engineering the Future" Day on May 13, 2009: H. Res. 413, to support the goals and ideals of "IEEE Engineering the Future" Day on May 13, 2009, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 409 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 244; **Pages H5411–13, H5446**

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Hurricane Preparedness Week: H. Res. 387, to support the goals and ideals of National Hurricane Preparedness Week; **Pages H5413–14**

Networking and Information Technology Research and Development Act of 2009: H.R. 2020,

amended, to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize activities for support of networking and information technology research; **Pages H5414–18**

Recognizing National Nurses Week on May 6 through May 12, 2009: H. Res. 192, to recognize National Nurses Week on May 6 through May 12, 2009; **Pages H5418–20**

Belated Thank You to the Merchant Mariners of World War II Act of 2009: H.R. 23, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Merchant Mariner Equity Compensation Fund to provide benefits to certain individuals who served in the United States merchant marine (including the Army Transport Service and the Naval Transport Service) during World War II; **Pages H5422–28**

Directing the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the use of Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions, and for other purposes: H.R. 1178, amended, to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the use of Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions; **Pages H5428–30**

Commending the heroic efforts of the people fighting the floods in North Dakota and Minnesota: H. Res. 415, to commend the heroic efforts of the people fighting the floods in North Dakota and Minnesota; **Pages H5430–33**

Expressing support for designation of April 27, 2009, as “National Healthy Schools Day”: H. Res. 370, amended, to express support for designation of April 27, 2009, as “National Healthy Schools Day”; **Pages H5433–34**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Expressing the support of the House of Representatives for the goals and ideals of National Healthy Schools Day.”. **Page H5434**

Celebrating the role of mothers in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of Mother’s Day: H. Res. 388, to celebrate the role of mothers in the United States and to support the goals and ideals of Mother’s Day; **Pages H5436–37**

Recognizing the 30th anniversary of the election of Margaret Thatcher as the first female Prime Minister of Great Britain: H. Res. 378, to recognize the 30th anniversary of the election of Margaret Thatcher as the first female Prime Minister of Great Britain, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 339 yeas to 64 nays with 6 voting “present”, Roll No. 245; and **Pages H5439–40, H5447**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives on the need for constitutional reform in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the importance of sustained United States engagement in partnership with the European Union (EU): H. Res. 171, amended to express the sense of the House of Representatives on the need for constitutional reform in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the importance of sustained United States engagement in partnership with the European Union (EU). **Pages H5440–43**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:05 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H5443**

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

Congratulating the American Dental Association for its 150th year: H. Res. 204, to congratulate the American Dental Association for its 150th year of working to improve the public’s oral health and promoting dentistry, supporting initiatives to improve access to oral health care services for all Americans, and emphasizing the benefits of prevention of disease through support of community prevention initiatives and promotion of good oral hygiene; **Pages H5420–22**

Supporting the goals and objectives of a National Military Appreciation Month: H. Con. Res. 84, to support the goals and objectives of a National Military Appreciation Month; and **Pages H5434–36**

Herbert A Littleton Postal Station Designation Act: H.R. 2162, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 11th Avenue South in Nampa, ID, as the “Herbert A Littleton Postal Station”. **Pages H5437–39**

Authorizing and directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire whether the House should impeach Samuel B. Kent, a judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas: The House agreed to discharge and agree to H. Res. 424, to authorize and direct the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire whether the House should impeach Samuel B. Kent, a judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. **Pages H5444–45**

Privileged Resolution: The House agreed to table H. Res. 425, raising a question of the privileges of the House, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 215 yeas to 182 nays with 15 voting “present”, Roll No. 243. **Pages H5445–46**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the Reverend Robert Cornell, former Member of Congress. **Pages H5446–47**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the Analytical Perspectives, Historical Tables, and Updated Summary Tables of his Fiscal Year 2010 Budget—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–3). **Pages H5410–11**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5486–87.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5445–46, H5446, H5447. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Army Corps of Engineers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Terrence Salt, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Civil Works; LTG Robert Van Antwerp, USA, Chief of Engineers; MG Merdith Temple, USA, Deputy Commanding General, Civil and Emergency; and Gary Loew, Chief, Programs Integration Division.

GSA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services, General Government, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the GSA. Testimony was heard from Paul F. Prouty, Administrator, GSA.

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on the Secretary of Homeland Security. Testimony was heard from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security.

FOREST SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior and Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Gail Kimbell, Chief, U.S. Forest Service, USDA.

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Secretary of Labor. Testimony was heard from Hilda Solis, Secretary of Labor.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

U.S. COMPETITIVENESS—HIGH SCHOOL REFORM

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on American's Competitiveness through High School Reform. Testimony was heard from Representatives Castle, Fattah, Grijalva, and Roe of Tennessee; and public witnesses.

CONSUMER CREDIT PROTECTION; MERCURY POLLUTION REDUCTION ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on the following: Consumer Credit Protection Improvement Act and H.R. 2190, Mercury Pollution Reduction Act. Testimony was heard from Eileen Harrington, Acting Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; and public witnesses.

MEDICAL DEVICE SAFETY ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on H.R. 1346, Medical Device Safety Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

21ST CENTURY GREEN HIGH-PERFORMING PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate on H.R., 2187, the 21st Century Green High-Performing Public School Facilities Act, equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor. 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 amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor 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 those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the 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