

H. Res. 909, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 245 yeas to 173 nays, Roll No. 898, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 242 yeas to 174 nays, Roll No. 897. **Pages H13091–92**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H13084.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H13091, H13091–92, H13092, H13113, H13114, H13114–15. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LONG-TERM DEFENSE BUDGET TRENDS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Resourcing the National Defense Strategy: Implications of Long Term Budget Trends. Testimony was heard from Matthew Goldberg, Acting Assistant Director, National Security Studies, CBO; Stephen Daggett, Specialist in Defense Policy and Budgets, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

H1N1 VACCINE PRODUCTION/DISTRIBUTION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing on H1N1 Preparedness: An Overview of Vaccine Production and Distribution. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Anne Schuchat, M.D., Director, National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, Centers for Diseases Control and Prevention; Nicole Lurie, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Preparedness and Response; and Jesse Goodman, M.D. Acting Chief Scientist, Deputy Commissioner for Scientific and Medical Programs, FDA; David Lakey, M.D., Commissioner, Department of State Health Services, State of Texas; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE PRINT—FINANCIAL STABILITY IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2009

Committee on Financial Services: Continued consideration of the Committee Print of the Financial Stability Improvement Act of 2009.

Will continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN AID'S ROLE IN FIGHTING TERRORISM

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade held a hearing on Flag on the Bag?: Foreign Assistance and the

Struggle Against Terrorism. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL PROTECTION SERVICE TRANSITION

Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled “Federal Protective Service: Will Continuing Challenges Weaken Transition and Impede Progress?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Rand Beers, Under Secretary, National Protection Programs Directorate; and Gary W. Schenkel, Director, Federal Protective Service, Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Mark L. Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; Robert A. Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; and public witnesses.

AIRLINE SECURITY—FOREIGN REPAIR STATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection held a hearing entitled “Is the Flying Public Protected? An Assessment of Security at Foreign Repair Stations.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Calvin L. Scovel, III, Inspector General; and Doug Dalby, Deputy Director, Flight Standards for Field Operations, FAA; Cindy Farkus, Assistant Administrator, Office of Global Strategies, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

JUDGE PORTEOUS IMPEACHMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Task Force on Judicial Impeachment continued consideration of possible impeachment of U.S. District Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr. Testimony was heard from Attorney Joseph Mole.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1672, as amended, Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Reauthorization Act of 2009; H.R. 2062, as amended, Migratory Bird Treaty Act Penalty and Enforcement Act of 2009; H.R. 3644, as amended, Bay-Watershed Education and Training (B-WET) Regional Program and National Environmental Literacy Grant Program Act; H.R. 3940, as amended, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend grants and other assistance to facilitate a political status public education program for the people of Guam; H.R. 3603, as amended, To rename the Ocmulgee National Monument; H.R. 3759, as amended, BLM Contract Extension Act; H.R. 3804, National Park Service Authorities and Corrections Act of 2009; and H.R.

3388, as amended, Petersburg National Battlefield Boundary Modification Act..

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Ordered reported the following bills: The Committee began consideration of H.R. 2517, as amended, Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act of 2009; H.R. 3892, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 West Highway 64 Bypass in Roper, North Carolina, as the “E.C. Wilkins Post Office;” H.R. 3951, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Louisiana Avenue in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the “Roy Rondeno, Sr., Post Office Building;” and H.R. 4017, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 43 Maple Avenue in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, as the “Ann Marie Blute Post Office.”

INCREASED AUTONOMY FOR D.C.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia held a hearing entitled “Greater Autonomy for the Nation’s Capital,” with discussion of the following bills: H.R. 960, District of Columbia Legislative Autonomy Act of 2009; and H.R. 1045, District of Columbia Budget Autonomy Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Adrian M. Fenty, Mayor; Vincent Gray, Chairman, City Council; and Natwar Gandhi, Chief Financial Officer; Alice M. Rivlin, former Chairman, CBO; and a public witness.

CYBERSECURITY ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2009

Committee on Science and Technology: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 4061, Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2009.

PROPOSALS—WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2010

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 2010. Testimony was heard from Representatives Whitfield, Boustany, Melancon, Klein of Florida, Loeb sack, Scalise and Kosmas.

VETERANS APPEALS IMPROVEMENT AND MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2009

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs approved for full Committee action the Veterans Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act of 2009.

BRIEFING—GUANTANAMO UPDATE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Guantanamo Update. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Clifford L. Stanley, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, and Erin C. Conaton, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force, both of the Department of Defense, and Lawrence G. Romo, of Texas, to be Director of the Selective Service, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider an original bill entitled “Restoring American Financial Stability Act of 2009”, 10 a.m., SR-325.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 592, to implement the recommendations of the Federal Communications Commission report to the Congress regarding low-power FM service, S. 850, to amend the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to improve the conservation of sharks, S. 1224, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, S. 2764, to reauthorize the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004, and S. 2768, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board for fiscal years 2010 through 2014, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine environmental stewardship policies related to offshore energy production, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Leslie V. Rowe, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique, Alberto M. Fernandez, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Mary Jo Wills, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles, and Philip S. Goldberg, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Intelligence and Research, all of the Department of State, 3:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine nominations for Commissioner