

7:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.; the Republican Leader control 7:30 to 7:45 p.m., and the Majority Leader control 7:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.; that at 8 p.m., Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3590; that if cloture is invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, then all post-cloture time be yielded back, and the motion to proceed be agreed to; that after the bill is reported, the Majority Leader be recognized to call up his amendment, and that it be reported by number only. **Pages S11577–78, S11824**

Appointments:

Social Security Advisory Board: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and in consultation with the Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Finance, pursuant to Public Law 103–296, appointed Jagadeesh Gokhale, of Maryland, vice Sylvester Schieber, of Michigan, as a member of the Social Security Advisory Board. **Page S11818**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 59 yeas 39 nays (Vote No. EX. 350), David F. Hamilton, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit. **Pages S11544–52**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Victor H. Ashe, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2010.

Walter Isaacson, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2012.

Walter Isaacson, of Louisiana, to be Chairman of the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

Michael Lynton, of California, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2012.

Susan McCue, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2011.

Michael P. Meehan, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2010.

Dennis Mulhaupt, of California, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2011.

Dana M. Perino, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2012.

S. Enders Wimbush, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2010. **Page S11824**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—352) **Pages S11552, S11552–53, S11553**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m. and adjourned at 7:51 p.m., until 9:45 a.m. on Friday, November 20, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11818.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing 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, who was introduced by Representative Skelton, both of the Department of Defense, and Lawrence G. Romo, of Texas, to be Director of the Selective Service, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee began consideration of an original bill entitled "Restoring American Financial Stability Act of 2009", but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to the call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 592, to implement the recommendations of the Federal Communications Commission report to the Congress regarding low-power FM service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

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, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1224, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2764, to reauthorize the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; 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, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

OFFSHORE ENERGY PRODUCTION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine environmental stewardship policies related to offshore energy production, after receiving testimony from Walter Cruickshank, Deputy Director, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior; Marvin E. Odum, Shell Oil Company, and David Rainey, BP America Inc., both of Houston, Texas; John F. Amos, SkyTruth, Shepherdstown, West Virginia; and Jeffrey Short, Oceana, Juneau, Alaska.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing 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, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

FORT HOOD ATTACK

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Fort Hood Attack, focusing on a preliminary assessment, after receiving testimony from General John M. Keane, USA, (Ret.), former Vice Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, Department of Defense; Frances Fragos Townsend, former Assistant to President George W. Bush, Homeland Security and Counterterrorism, Department of Homeland Security; Mitchell D. Silber, New York City Police Department,

New York, New York; Juan C. Zarate, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, DC.; and Brian Michael Jenkins, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, California.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Alan C. Kessler, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Casey, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Daniel I. Gordon, of the District of Columbia, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, and Erroll G. Southers, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine nominations for Commissioner and for General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, after receiving testimony from P. David Lopez, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Phoenix District Office, Phoenix, Arizona; Jacqueline A. Berrien, NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, New York, New York; and Chai R. Feldblum, Georgetown University Law Center, and Victoria A. Lipnic, Seyfarth Shaw, LLP, both of Washington, DC.

DRUG AND GANG ACTIVITIES IN INDIAN COUNTRY

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine drug smuggling and gang activity in Indian country, after receiving testimony from Arnold Moorin, National Director of the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Program, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Ivan D. Posey, Eastern Shoshone Tribe, Ft. Washakie, Wyoming; Nancy Dooley, Gila River Indian Community Department of Rehabilitation and Supervision Juvenile Division, Sacaton, Arizona; Chief Matt Haney, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation Police, Nespelem, Washington; and Martina Whelshula, Healing Lodge of the Seven Nations, Spokane, Washington.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1147, to prevent tobacco smuggling, to ensure the collection of all tobacco taxes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Jane Branstetter Stranch, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Christina Reiss, to be United States District Judge for the District of Vermont, Abdul K. Kallon, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Victoria Angelica Espinel, of the District of Columbia, to be Intellec-

tual Property Enforcement Coordinator, and Benjamin B. Tucker, of New York, to be Deputy Director for State, Local, and Tribal Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

INTELLIGENCE

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

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 46 public bills, H.R. 4113–4158; and 20 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 215; and H. Res. 920–938 were introduced. **Pages H13351–54**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H13354–56**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Pastor to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H13269**

Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 921, electing the following Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives: Committee on Armed Services: Representative Owens (to rank immediately after Representative Murphy (NY)). Committee on Homeland Security: Representative Owens (to rank immediately after Representative Luján). Committee on Science and Technology: Representative Garamendi (to rank immediately after Representative Griffith). Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Representative Garamendi. **Page H13279**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, November 17th:

Reserve Officers Association Modernization Act of 2009: S. 1599, to amend title 36, United States Code, to include in the Federal charter of the Reserve Officers Association leadership positions newly added in its constitution and bylaws, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 904. **Page H13281**

Amending the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Molalla River in Oregon, as components of the National Wild and

Scenic Rivers System: The House passed H.R. 2781, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Molalla River in Oregon, as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes, by a yeas-and-nay vote of 292 yeas to 133 nays, Roll No. 905. **Pages H13281–88**

H. Res. 908, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 244 yeas to 176 noes, Roll No. 903, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 176 nays, Roll No. 902. **Pages H13272–79, H13279–81**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Wednesday, November 18th:

Expressing the sense of Congress on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of historic events in Central and Eastern Europe: H. Con. Res. 212, amended, to express the sense of Congress on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of historic events in Central and Eastern Europe, particularly the Velvet Revolution in Czechoslovakia, and to reaffirm the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and the Slovak and Czech Republics, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 426 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 906 and **Pages H13288–89**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Expressing the sense of Congress on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of historic events in Central and Eastern Europe, particularly the Velvet Revolution in Czechoslovakia, and reaffirming the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and the Slovak Republic and the Czech Republic.”. **Page H13289**

Native American Business Development Enhancement Act of 2009: H.R. 1834, amended, to