

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 4471–4483; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 229; and H. Res. 1019–1024 were introduced. **Pages H265–66**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H266–67**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Salazar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H195**

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

Congratulating Nancy Goodman Brinker for receiving the Presidential Medal of Freedom: H. Res. 708, amended, to congratulate Nancy Goodman Brinker for receiving the Presidential Medal of Freedom; **Pages H200–02**

Congresswoman Jan Meyers Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 4095, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9727 Antioch Road in Overland Park, Kansas, as the “Congresswoman Jan Meyers Post Office Building”; **Pages H202–04**

Accelerating the income tax benefits for charitable cash contributions for the relief of victims of the earthquake in Haiti: H.R. 4462, amended, to accelerate the income tax benefits for charitable cash contributions for the relief of victims of the earthquake in Haiti; **Pages H211–14**

Celebrating the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. during the 30th anniversary of the Stevie Wonder song tribute to Dr. King, “Happy Birthday”: H. Res. 1010, to celebrate the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. during the 30th anniversary of the Stevie Wonder song tribute to Dr. King, “Happy Birthday”; **Pages H214–20**

Honoring the seven Americans killed in Khost, Afghanistan, on December 30, 2009, for their service to the United States: H. Res. 1009, to honor the seven Americans killed in Khost, Afghanistan, on December 30, 2009, for their service to the United States; **Pages H220–25**

Amending the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Securing the Cities Initiative of the Department of Homeland Security: H.R. 2611, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Securing the Cities Initiative of the Department of Homeland Security; and **Pages H225–26**

Condemning the violent suppression of legitimate political dissent and gross human rights abuses in the Republic of Guinea: H. Res. 1013, amended, to condemn the violent suppression of legitimate political dissent and gross human rights abuses in the Republic of Guinea. **Pages H241–43**

Providing for consideration of the bills H.R. 3254, H.R. 3342, and H.R. 1065—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3254) to approve the Taos Pueblo Indian Water Rights Settlement Agreement, and for other purposes; for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3342) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to develop water infrastructure in the Rio Grande Basin, and to approve the settlement of the water rights claims of the Pueblos of Nambe, Pojoaque, San Ildefonso, and Tesuque; and for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1065) to resolve water rights claims of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes, by voice vote after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 9. **Pages H206–11, H229–30**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the men and women in uniform who have given their lives in the service of our nation in Iraq and Afghanistan, their families, and all who serve in the armed forces and their families. **Page H230**

Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, January 19th:

Castle Nugent National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2010: H.R. 3726, amended, to establish the Castle Nugent National Historic Site at St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 173 nays, Roll No. 10 and **Page H230**

Idaho Wilderness Water Resources Protection Act: H.R. 3538, amended, to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 11. **Page H231**

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

Private First Class Garfield M. Langhorn Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 3250, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1210 West Main Street in Riverhead, New York, as the “Private First Class Garfield M. Langhorn Post Office Building”;

Pages H198–H200

Expressing support for the designation of an Early Detection Month for breast cancer and all forms of cancer: H. Con. Res. 158, amended, to express support for the designation of an Early Detection Month for breast cancer and all forms of cancer;

Pages H204–06

Nuclear Forensics and Attribution Act: Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 730, to strengthen efforts in the Department of Homeland Security to develop nuclear forensics capabilities to permit attribution of the source of nuclear material; and

Pages H226–29

Expressing condolences to and solidarity with the people of Haiti: H. Res. 1021, to express condolences to and solidarity with the people of Haiti in the aftermath of the devastating earthquake of January 12, 2010.

Pages H231–41

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the emergency declared with respect to foreign terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process is to continue in effect beyond January 23, 2010—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–88). **Page H263**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H229–30, H230, H231. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ACQUISITION CONTRACTING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on Acquisition Contracting. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Paul Francis, Managing Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management Team; Michael Golden, Managing Associate General Counsel for Procurement; and Bill Woods, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management Team.

DOD INDEPENDENT REVIEW RELATING TO FORT HOOD

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the findings of the Department of Defense Independent

Review Relating to Fort Hood. Testimony was heard from Togo West, former Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and former Secretary of the Army, Department of Defense; and ADM Vern Clark, USN (ret.); former Chief of Naval Operations, Department of Defense.

ISSUES AFFECTING NAVAL FORCE STRUCTURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces held a hearing on issues affecting Naval force structure. Testimony was heard from Eric Labs, Senior Analyst, CBO; Ronald O'Rourke, Specialist in Naval Affairs, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and a public witness.

AL QA'IDA IN THE ARABIAN PENINSULA

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities held a hearing on the threat posed by al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula and other regions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Garry Reid, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Special Operations and Combating Terrorism; and ADM Eric T. Olson, USN, Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command, Department of the Navy; and Ambassador Daniel Benjamin, Counterterrorism Coordinator, Department of State.

EXXON MOBIL-XTO MERGER

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on The Exxon Mobil-XTO Merger: Impacts on U.S. Energy Markets. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HOUSING FAIRNESS ACT OF 2009

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on H.R. 476, Housing Fairness Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from John Trasvina, Assistant Secretary, Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

TSA AVIATION SECURITY SCREENING; U.S. SECRET SERVICE AND PRESIDENTIAL PROTECTION

Committee on Homeland Security: Ordered adversely reported H. Res. 980, Of inquiry directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to transmit to the House of Representatives a copy of the Transportation Security Administration's Aviation Security Screening Management Standard Operating Procedures manual in effect on December 5, 2009, and