

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 4133–4162; 1 private bill, H.R. 4163; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 216–217, and H. Res. 531–534, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1281, to amend title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of information regarding certain individuals who participated in Nazi war crimes during the period in which the United States was involved in World War II, amended (H. Rept. 104–819 Part I);

H.R. 3452, to make certain laws applicable to the Executive Office of the President, amended (H. Rept. 104–820 Part I);

Sampling and Statistical Adjustment in the Decennial Census: Fundamental Flaws (H. Rept. 104–821);

H.R. 3391, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require at least 85 percent of funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund to be distributed to States for cooperative agreements for undertaking corrective action and for enforcement of subtitle I of such Act, amended (H. Rept. 104–822 Part I);

H.R. 2508, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for improvements in the process of approving and using animal drugs, amended (H. Rept. 104–823);

H.R. 3155, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act by designating the Wekiva River, Seminole Creek, and Rock Springs Run in the State of Florida for study and potential addition to the national wild and scenic rivers system, amended (H. Rept. 104–824);

H.R. 3568, to designate 51.7 miles of the Clarion River, located in Pennsylvania, as a component of the National Wild Scenic Rivers System (H. Rept. 104–825);

H.R. 1791, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to make certain technical corrections relating to physicians' services, amended (H. Rept. 104–826);

H.R. 2092, to expedite State reviews of criminal records of applicants for private security officer employment, amended (H. Rept. 104–827 Part I);

Conference report on H.R. 2202, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve deterrence of illegal immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigative personnel,

by increasing penalties for alien smuggling and for document fraud, by reforming exclusion and deportation law and procedures, by improving the verification system for eligibility for employment, and through other measures, to reform the legal immigration system and facilitate legal entries into the United States (H. Rept. 104–828);

H. Res. 528, waiving point of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2202, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve deterrence of illegal immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigative personnel, by increasing penalties for alien smuggling and for document fraud, by reforming exclusion and deportation law and procedures, by improving the verification system for eligibility for employment, and through other measures, to reform the legal immigration system and facilitate legal entries into the United States (H. Rept. 104–829);

H. Res. 529, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3259, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (H. Rept. 104–830);

H.R. 3841, to amend the civil service laws of the United States, amended (H. Rept. 104–831);

Conference Report on H.R. 3259, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (H. Rept. 104–832);

H.R. 1186, to provide for the safety of journeymen boxes, amended (H. Rept. 104–833 Part I);

H. Res. 530, providing for the consideration of H.R. 4134, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize States to deny public education benefits to aliens not lawfully present in the United States who are not enrolled in public schools during the period beginning September 1, 1996, and ending July 1, 1997 (H. Rept. 104–834);

H.R. 3752, to preserve the sovereignty of the United States over public lands and acquired lands owned by the United States, and to preserve State sovereignty and private property rights in non-Federal lands surrounding those public lands and acquired lands amended (H. Rept. 104–835); and

Conference Report on H.R. 1296, to provide for the Administration of certain Presidio properties at

minimal cost to the Federal taxpayer (H. Rept. 104-836). **Pages H10841-H10907, H10982-H11040, H11046**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Vucanovich to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:44 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 noon.

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Prayer by Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, the Reverend Bishop Felton May of the Washington, D.C. Area United Methodist Church.

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Corrections Calendar: On the Call of the Corrections Calendar, the House passed the following measures:

Small Business Transport Corrections Advancement Act: H.R. 3153, amended, to amend title 49, United States Code, to exempt from regulation the transportation of certain hazardous materials by vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or less. Agreed to the Petri amendment in the nature of a substitute that adds a farm-related section that delays the implementation of any provision in the final rule that prohibits states from granting exceptions for not-for-hire intrastate transportation by farmers. Agreed to amend the title; and

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Traffic Signal Synchronization: H.R. 2988, amended, to amend the Clean Air Act to provide that traffic signal synchronization projects are exempt from certain requirements of Environmental Protection Agency Rules.

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

Privatization Act: H.R. 1720, amended, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for the cessation of Federal sponsorship of two Government sponsored enterprises. Agreed to amend the title;

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Water Desalination Research and Development: S. 811, amended, to authorize research into the desalinization and reclamation of water and authorize a program for States, cities, or qualifying agencies desiring to own and operate a water desalinization or reclamation facility, and to develop such facilities. Agreed to amend the title;

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David H. Pryor Post Office Building: H.R. 3877, amended, to designate the United States Post Office building in Camden, Arkansas, as the "Honorable David H. Pryor Post Office Building". Agreed to amend the title;

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Presidential and Executive Office Accountability: H.R. 3452, amended, to make certain laws applicable to the Executive Office of the President (passed by a yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 427);

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War Crimes Disclosure: H.R. 1281, amended, to amend title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of information regarding certain individuals who participated in Nazi war crimes during the period in which the United States was involved in World War II. Agreed to amend the title;

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State Emergency Management Assistance Compact: H.J. Res. 193, granting the consent of Congress to the Emergency Management Assistance Compact;

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Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Compact: H.J. Res. 194, amended, granting the consent of the Congress to amendments made by Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact;

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Dhahran, Saudi Arabia Bombing: H. Con. Res. 200, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the Bombing in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Agreed to amend the title;

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Animal Drug Availability: H.R. 2508, amended, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for improvements in the process of approving and using animal drugs;

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Medicaid Certification: H.R. 1791, amended, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to make certain technical corrections relating to physicians' services;

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Energy Policy and Conservation: H.R. 4083, to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 1997;

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Extradition of Martin Pang: H. Con. Res. 132, amended, relating to the extradition of Martin Pang from Brazil to the United States. Agreed to amend the title;

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Republic of China on Taiwan: H. Con. Res. 212, amended, endorsing the adoption by the European Parliament of a resolution supporting the Republic of China on Taiwan's efforts at joining the community of nations;

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Worldwide Christian Persecution: H. Res. 515, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the persecution of Christians worldwide; and

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National Invasive Species Act: H.R. 3217, amended, to provide for ballast water management to prevent the introduction and spread of nonindigenous species into the waters of the United States.

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Order of Business: It was made in order that at any time to consider a conference report to accompany the bill H.R. 3666, that all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration be waived, and that the conference report be considered as read when called up.

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Expedited Procedures: By a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 425, the House agreed to H. Res. 525, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules.

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FAA Authorization: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 3539, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of the House bill (except section 501) and the Senate amendment (except section 501) and the Senate amendment (except section 1001), and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Shuster, Clinger, Duncan, Oberstar, and Lipinski; from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of section 501 of the House bill and section 1001 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Shuster, Clinger, and Oberstar; as additional conferees from the Committee on Rules, for consideration of section 675 of the Senate bill, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Dreier, Linder, and Beilenson; as additional conferees from the Committee on Science, for consideration of sections 601–05 of the House bill, and section 103 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Walker, Morella, and Brown of California; as additional conferees from the Committee on Science, for consideration of section 501 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Walker, Sensenbrenner, and Brown of California; as additional conferees from the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of section 501 of the House bill and sections 417, 906, and 1001 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Archer, Crane, and Gibbons.

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VA/HUD Appropriations: By a yea-and-nay vote of 388 yeas to 25 nays, Roll No. 426, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3666, mak-

ing appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

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Question of Privilege of the House: The Chair ruled that H. Res. 531, relating to a question of the privileges of the House, did constitute a question of privilege of the House and was in order.

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Subsequently, agreed to the Arney motion to table the resolution (agreed to by a recorded vote of 390 yeas to 11 noes with 7 voting "present", Roll No. 428).

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Question of Privilege of the House: The Chair ruled that H. Res. 532, relating to a question of the privileges of the House, did constitute a question of privilege of the House and was in order.

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Subsequently, agreed to the Arney motion to table the resolution (agreed to by a recorded vote of 225 yeas to 173 noes with 9 voting "present", Roll No. 429).

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Legislative Program: Pursuant to H. Res. 525, the rule providing for expedited procedures for the remainder of the 2nd Session of the 104th Congress and agreed to earlier, Representative Goss announced measures for consideration under suspension of the rules for Wednesday, September 25.

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Referral: One Senate-passed measure, S. 2101, to provide educational assistance to the dependents of Federal law enforcement officials who are killed or disabled in the performance of their duties, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on page H10769.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10936–37, H10969–70, H10970–71, H10971–72, and H10972. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:30 noon and adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HATCH ACT AND RELATED LAW VIOLATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review the Hatch Act and related