

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 3867–3883; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 186 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3237, to provide for improved management and operation of intelligence activities of the Government by providing for a more corporate approach to intelligence, to reorganize the agencies of the Government engaged in intelligence activities so as to provide an improved Intelligence Community for the 21st century, amended (H. Rept. 104–620 Part II);

H.R. 2823, A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to support International Dolphin Conservation Program in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean (H. Rept. 104–665 Part II);

H.R. 1627, to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, amended (H. Rept. 104–669 Part II);

H.R. 1886, Private Bill, amended (H. Rept. 104–696); and

S. 531, A bill to authorize a circuit judge who has taken part in an in banc hearing of a case to continue to participate in that case after taking senior status (H. Rept. 104–697);

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Recess: House recessed at 9:51 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m.

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Committees to Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Banking and Financial Services, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, National Security, Resources, Science, and Select Intelligence.

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Corrections Calendar—Metric Conversion: On the call of the Corrections Calendar, the House passed H.R. 2779, to provide for soft-metric conversion.

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Agreed to the Committee amendment.

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Agreed to amend the title.

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

NATO Expansion: H.R. 3564, amended, to amend the NATO Participation Act of 1994 to expedite the transition to full membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization of emerging democracies in Central and Eastern Europe Agreed to

by a yea-and-nay vote of 353 yeas to 65 nays, Roll No. 338; and

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Public Health Pesticides Protection: H.R. 1627, amended, to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 417 yeas, Roll No. 339).

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Iran and Libya Sanctions: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3107, to impose sanctions on persons exporting certain goods or technology that would enhance Iran's ability to explore for, extract, refine, or transport by pipeline petroleum resources—clearing the measure for the President.

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Committee Membership: Pursuant to clause 4(e)(2)(D) of rule X, the Speaker pro tempore designated Representative Stokes to act as a member of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct in any proceeding relating to Representative McDermott.

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Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary Appropriations: The House completed general debate on H.R. 3814, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997. Consideration of amendments will resume on Wednesday, July 24.

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Agreed To:

The Rogers amendment that provides flexibility to California to use state prison grant funds, allows economic and development administration funding to be used for trade adjustment, increases funding for the National Marine Sanctuaries by \$1.68 million and decreases satellite funding accordingly, and provides \$2 million for the recently authorized Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement;

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The Rogers amendment that provides \$110.5 million to the NIST Advanced Technology Program for the purposes of closing out commitments of the program;

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The Rogers en bloc amendment that provides \$7 million for Federal drug testing initiatives, \$5 million for firefighter and emergency services training grants, and \$6 million for court security (agreed to by a recorded vote of 416 yeas to 1 no, Roll No. 340);

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The Mollihan amendment that increases funding for the Legal Services Corporation by \$109 million

with offsetting reductions from the Justice Department assets forfeiture fund, Federal prison system, Patent and Trademark Office, Courts of Appeals and District Courts, State Department Diplomatic and Consular Programs, Bankruptcy Review Commission, and the Securities and Exchange Commission (agreed to a recorded vote of 247 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 341);

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The Rogers substitute amendment to the Schumer amendment that allocates \$10 million of Law Enforcement Block Grant technology funding to anti-terrorism research and development programs;

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The Schumer amendment, as amended by the agreed-to Rogers substitute, that allocates funding of \$10 million for anti-terrorism technology;

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The Barr amendment that restricts the obligation of Justice Department Telecommunications Carrier Compliance funds until an implementation plan is provided to each member of the Committees on the Judiciary and Appropriations;

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The Molinari amendment that expresses the sense of Congress that the Drug Enforcement Agency, together with other appropriate Federal agencies, should take actions to end the illegal importation into the United States of Rohypnol, a drug frequently distributed with the intent to facilitate sexual assault and rape;

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The Porter amendment that allocates International Broadcasting funding of \$9.3 million for grants for the operating costs of Radio Free Asia;

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The Traficant amendment that prohibits contracts with persons who affix a "Made in America" inscription, or any inscription with the same meaning, to any product that is not made in the United States; and

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The Engel amendment that increases Public Broadcasting Facilities, Planning, and Construction funding by \$5 million and reduces Patent and Trademark Office funding accordingly.

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Rejected:

The Radanovich amendment that sought to increase Drug Enforcement Agency funding by \$109 million and decrease Legal Services Corporation funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 169 ayes to 254 noes, Roll No. 342);

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The Schroeder amendment that sought to increase Equal Employment Opportunity Commission funding by \$13 million and reduce Federal Prison System funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 159 ayes to 265 noes, Roll No. 343);

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The Scott amendment that sought to increase Juvenile Justice Prevention program grant funding by \$497.5 million and reduce Violent Offenders Incarceration grant funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 99 ayes to 326 noes, Roll No. 344);

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The Norton amendment that sought to remove the restrictions on Department of Justice funding for abortions; and

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The Hostettler amendment that sought to eliminate funding for the Economic Development Administration (rejected by a recorded vote of 99 ayes to 328 noes, Roll No. 345).

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Withdrawn:

The Mink amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to increase National Marine Fisheries funding by \$760,500 for the Hawaiian Monk Seal and Sea Turtle programs; and

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The Miller of Florida amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to allocate National Ocean Service funding of \$1 million for red tide research.

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Pending:

The Goss amendment that seeks to reduce Economic Development Administration funding by \$98.500 million.

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Order of Business: It was made in order that during further consideration of H.R. 3814, pursuant to H. Res. 479 and the other of the House of July 17, 1996: the remainder of the bill be considered as read; and no amendment shall be in order except for the following amendments, which shall be considered as read, shall not be subject to amendment or to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole, and shall be debatable for the time specified, equally divided and controlled by the proponent and a Member opposed: amendment No. 10 by Representative Hostettler for 10 minutes; amendment by Representative Jackson-Lee, regarding the National Telecommunications and Information Administration for 15 minutes; amendment No. 11 by Representative Mink for 10 minutes; amendment by Representative Rogers, regarding NOAA for 10 minutes, amendment by Representative Engel, regarding Public Broadcasting Grants, for 10 minutes, amendment No. 20 by Representative Brown of California for 20 minutes; amendment by Representative Allard, regarding the Technology Administration, for 10 minutes; amendment by Representative Goss, regarding EDA, for 10 minutes, amendment by Representative Porter, regarding Asia Broadcasting, for 20 minutes; amendment by Representative Obey, regarding the ABM treaty, for 15 minutes; amendment No. 19 by Representative Traficant for 5 minutes, amendment

No. 28 by Representative Gutknecht for 20 minutes; amendment by Representative Deutsch, regarding COPS, for 10 minutes; amendment by Representative Ensign, regarding sexually explicit material in prisons, for 10 minutes; amendment No. 5 by Representative Frank for 20 minutes; amendment No. 6 by Representative Frank for 20 minutes, amendment No. 16 by Representative Ganske for 20 minutes; amendment No. 17 by Representative Gekas for 20 minutes; amendment No. 33 by Representative Norton for 20 minutes; amendment by Representative Fowler, regarding COPS, for 10 minutes; amendment by Representative Collins of Georgia, regarding Federal Prison Industries, for 15 minutes; amendment by Representative Hutchinson, regarding deaths in prisons, for 10 minutes; and amendment by Representative Miller of Florida for 10 minutes.

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Presidential Message—National Emergency Re Iraq: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iraq—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–250).

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National Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Ms. Victoria Toensig of Washington, D.C., from private life, to the National Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement on the part of the House.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H8248–49.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8147–48, H8148, H8172–73, H8189, H8191–92, H8216, H8216–17, and H8217–18. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:23 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CONDUCT OF MONETARY POLICY

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on the Conduct of Monetary Policy (Humphrey-Hawkins). Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Informa-

tion, and Technology approved for full Committee action the Electronic Reporting and Streamlining Act.

The Subcommittee also began markup of H.R. 1907, Federal-aid Facility Privatization Act of 1995. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

DRAFT REPORT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice, approved for full Committee action a draft report entitled: "The Investigation into the Activities of Federal Law Enforcement Agencies Toward the Branch Davidians".

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action amended H. Con. Res. 189, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the importance of the United States membership in regional South Pacific organizations.

U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE IN ASIA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia held a hearing on U.S. foreign assistance in Asia. Testimony was heard from Margaret Carpenter, Assistant Administrator, Asia and the Near East, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; and public witnesses.

HUMAN RIGHTS UNDER PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Human Rights Under the Palestinian Authority. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PROTECT RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on legislation to further protect religious freedom. Testimony was heard from Representative Istook; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action the following: Federal Courts Improvement Act; S. 533, to clarify the rules governing removal of cases to Federal court; and S. 677, to repeal a redundant venue provision.