

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 2678–2694; 1 private bill, H.R. 2695; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 171, were introduced. **Pages H6963–64**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H. Res. 273, a resolution providing for consideration of H.R. 2670, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 (H. Rept. 106–284);

H.R. 940, to establish the Lackawanna Heritage Valley American Heritage Area, amended (H. Rept. 106–285);

H.R. 2684, making 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, 2000 (H. Rept. 106–286);

H.R. 1907, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide enhanced protection for inventors and innovators, protect patent terms, reduce patent litigation, amended (H. Rept. 106–287, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 2670, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, State and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 (H. Rept. 106–288). **Page H6962**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Donald Carter of Burlington, North Carolina. **Page H6850**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:45 p.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. **Page H6850**

Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs: The House passed H.R. 2606, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, by a yeas and nays vote of 385 to 35, Roll No. 362. The House completed general debate on July 29 and considered amendments to the bill on July 29 and August 2. **Pages H6853–56**

Agreed to:

The Tancredo amendment, debated on August 2, that prohibits any funding for the United States Man and the Biosphere Program or the United Nations World Heritage Fund; **Pages H6853–54**

Rejected:

The Paul amendment, debated on August 2, that sought to prohibit funding for population control or population planning programs, family planning activities, or abortion procedures (rejected by a recorded vote of 145 yeas to 272 noes, Roll No. 360); and **Page H6854**

The Paul amendment, debated on August 2, that sought to prohibit any new obligation, guarantee, or

agreement by the Export-Import Bank, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation or the Trade and Development Agency (rejected by a recorded vote of 58 yeas to 360 noes, Roll No. 361). **Pages H6854–55**

H. Res. 263, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 29. The unanimous consent order that limited consideration of amendments to the bill was also agreed to on July 29.

Twenty-First Amendment Enforcement Act: The House passed H.R. 2031, to provide for injunctive relief in Federal district court to enforce State laws relating to the interstate transportation of intoxicating liquor by a yeas and nays vote of 310 yeas to 112 nays, Roll No. 364. **Pages H6857–87**

Agreed to the Conyers motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment that requires the Attorney General to submit to Congress a study to determine the impact of the Act, not later than 180 days after enactment. Subsequently, agreed to the Judiciary amendment. **Pages H6886–87**

Agreed to order engrossment and third reading of the bill by a yeas and nays vote of 325 yeas to 99 nays, Roll No. 363. **Page H6886**

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. **Page H6886**

Agreed to:

The Conyers amendment to the Goodlatte amendment that clarifies that the injunction exemption for interactive services or electronic communications services does not apply when these services engage in activities prohibited under the Act; **Pages H6870–71**

The Barr amendment to the Goodlatte amendment that clarifies language dealing with erecting barriers to competition; and **Pages H6873–74**

The Goodlatte amendment, as amended, that specifies that the provisions only extend the jurisdiction of Federal Courts to enforce state law valid under the 21st Amendment; do not supersede the 1998 Internet Tax Freedom Law; and do not permit injunctions in Federal Court against interactive computer services or electronic communication services. **Pages H6868–74**

Rejected:

The Jackson-Lee of Texas amendment that sought to require a study to determine the impact of the legislation on underage drinking. **Pages H6883–85**

Points of Order Sustained Against:

The Lofgren amendment that sought to include firearms in the provisions of the bill; **Pages H6874–75**

The Lofgren amendment that sought to specify that the act shall take immediate effect with regard

to any violation of a state law regulating the importation or transportation of any intoxicating liquor which results from any violation of a state's firearms laws; and

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The Jackson-Lee of Texas amendment that sought to require that a carrier obtain a signature for deliveries to residences when containers of alcohol are transported in interstate commerce.

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The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 272, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

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Extension of Emigration Waiver Authority: The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 58, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam, by a yea and nay vote of 130 yeas to 297 nays, Roll No. 365.

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The joint resolution was considered pursuant to the order of the House of July 30.

District of Columbia Appropriations Act: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2587, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Istook, Cunningham, Tiahrt, Aderholt, Emerson, Sununu, Young of Florida, Moran of Virginia, Dixon, Mollohan, and Obey.

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Workplace Preservation Act: The House passed H.R. 987, to require the Secretary of Labor to wait for completion of a National Academy of Sciences study before promulgating a standard or guideline on ergonomics, by a yea and nay vote of 217 yeas to 209 nays, Roll No. 366.

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H. Res. 271, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote.

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Order of Business: It was made in order that at any time on August 4, 1999 or any day thereafter, to take from the Speaker's table H.R. 1664, with Senate amendments thereto, and to consider in the House a single motion offered by the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendments; that the amendments and motion be considered as read; debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question.

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Suspension—Use of Capitol Grounds: The House agreed to suspend the rule and pass H. Con. Res. 167, authorizing the Architect of the Capitol to permit temporary construction and other work on the

Capitol Grounds that may be necessary for construction of a building on Constitution Avenue Northwest, between 2nd Street Northwest and Louisiana Avenue Northwest.

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Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1907, amended, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide enhanced protection for inventors and innovators, protect patent terms, reduce patent litigation. Further proceedings were postponed until Wednesday, August 4.

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Intent to Offer Motion to Instruct Conferees: Representative Toomey informed the House of his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on the Senate amendments to the bill H.R. 1905 to insist upon (1) the House provisions for the funding of the House of Representatives under title I of the bill; (2) the Senate amendment for the funding of the Senate under title I of the bill, including funding provided under the heading "JOINT ITEMS—ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL—Capitol Buildings and Grounds—senate office buildings"; (3) the House provisions for the funding of Joint Items under title I of the bill, other than the funding provided under the heading "JOINT ITEMS—ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL—Capitol Buildings and Grounds—senate office buildings"; and (4) the House version of title II of the bill.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on page H6856.

Referrals: S. 335 was referred to the Committee on Government Reform.

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6965-66.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea and nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6854, H6855, H6856, H6886, H6887, H6900, and H6927. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL RISK PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported, amended, H.R. 2559, Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 1999.

PUBLIC HEALTH FOOD QUALITY PROTECTION ACT—IMPLEMENTATION EFFECTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry held a hearing to review the effects of the implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act on public health. Testimony was heard from Representative