

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 4466–4480; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 380, were introduced. **Pages H1409–10**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 390, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 586, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the exclusion from gross income for foster care payments shall also apply to payments by qualified placement agencies (H. Rept. 107–412). **Page H1409**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Shimkus to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1341**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Norvel Goff, Sr., Baber African Methodist Episcopal Church of Rochester, New York. **Page H1341**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, April 16 by a yea-and-nay vote of 361 yeas to 51 nays, Roll No. 98. **Page H1341, H1373**

Child Custody Protection Act: The House passed H.R. 476, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions by a recorded vote of 260 yeas to 161 noes, Roll No. 97. **Pages H1351–73**

Rejected the Jackson-Lee of Texas motion that sought to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment that exempts an adult sibling, grandparent, minister, rabbi, pastor, priest, or other religious leader from provisions prohibiting the transportation of minors in circumvention of certain laws relating to abortion by a yea-and-nay vote of 173 yeas to 246 nays, Roll No. 96. **Pages H1369–72**

H. Res. 388, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote. **Pages H1345–51**

Motion to Instruct Conferees on the Farm Security Act—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the Smith of Michigan motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2646, an act to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011, to agree to the provisions contained in section 169(a) of the Senate amendment, relating to payment limitations for com-

modity programs; and to insist upon an increase in funding for conservation programs, in effect as of January 1, 2002, that are extended by title II of the Senate amendment; and research programs that are amended or established by title VII of the House bill or title VII of the Senate amendment. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair postponed the vote on the motion. **Pages H1373–79**

Notice to Offer Motions to Instruct Conferees on the Farm Security Act: Pursuant to clause 7(c) of rule XXII, the following members intend to offer motions tomorrow to instruct conferees on H.R. 2646, an act to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011. Representative Dooley announced his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees to agree to the provisions contained in section 335 of the Senate amendment, relating to agricultural trade with Cuba. **Pages H1373–79, H1379–82**

Representative Baca announced his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees to agree to provisions contained in Section 452 of the Senate amendment, relating to restoration of benefits to children, legal immigrants who work, refugees, and the disabled. **Page H1379**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:41 p.m. and reconvened at 5:11 p.m. **Page H1379**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1371–72, H1372, and H1373. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on SEC, and on FCC. Testimony was heard from Harvey Pitts, Chairman, SEC; and Michael Powell, Chairman, FCC.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held an oversight hearing on Energy Research-Measuring Success. Testimony was heard from Mark W. Everson, Controller, OMB; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Carl Michael Smith, Assistant Secretary, Fossil Energy; and David K.

Garman, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; and a public witness.

LABOR, HHS, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Department of Education Panel: Foundations for Learning. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Susan B. Neuman, Assistant Secretary, Elementary and Secondary Education; Robert H. Pasternack, Assistant Secretary, Special Education and Rehabilitation Services; Grover J. Whitehurst, Assistant Secretary, Educational Research and Improvement; and Wade Horn, Assistant Secretary, Administration on Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Ray Dubois, Deputy Under Secretary, Installations and Environment; and Dov S. Zakheim, Under Secretary and Comptroller/Chief Financial Officer.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the Transportation Security Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Michael Jackson, Deputy Secretary; and Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to continue hearings on the Transportation Security Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Stephen McHale, Deputy Under Secretary, Security; Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General; and Adm. James M. Loy, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICES, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government held a hearing on Secretary of the Treasury. Testimony was heard from Paul H. O'Neill, Secretary of the Treasury.

VA, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on NASA. Testimony was heard from Sean O'Keefe, Administrator, NASA.

MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Creating a Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit: Assessing Efforts to Help America's Low-Income Seniors." Testimony was heard from Mark McClellan, M.D., member, Council of Economic Advisers; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL DEPOSIT REFORM ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3717, Federal Deposit Insurance Reform Act of 2002.

AIDS—CHILDREN IN AFRICA

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on AIDS Orphans and Vulnerable Children in Africa: Identifying the Best Practices for Care, Treatment, and Prevention. Testimony was heard from Anne Peterson, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Global Health, AID, Department of State; Ken Casey, Special Representative to the President for HIV/AIDS; and public witnesses.

NATO FUTURE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Europe held a hearing on The Future of NATO and Enlargement. Testimony was heard from Jeanne J. Kirkpatrick, former Ambassador to the United Nations, Department of State; Lt. Gen. William E. Odom, USA, (Ret.) former Director of NSA, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2623, Posthumous Citizenship Restoration Act of 2001; H.R. 3214, to amend the charter of the AMVETS organization; H.R. 3838, to amend the charter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States organization to make members of the armed forces who receive special pay for duty subject to hostile fire or imminent danger eligible for membership in the organization; H.R. 3988, to amend title 36, United States Code, to clarify the requirements for eligibility in the American Legion; S.J. Res. 13, conferring honorary citizenship of the United States on Paul Yves Roch Gilbert du Motier, also known as the Marquis de Lafayette.

The Subcommittee also approved private relief bills.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 103, Tribal Sovereignty Protection Act; H.R. 3534, Cherokee, Choctaw, and Chickasaw Nations Claims Settlement Act; and H.R. 3476, to protect certain lands held in fee by the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians from condemnation until a final decision is made by the Secretary of the Interior regarding a pending fee to trust application for that land. Testimony was heard from Representative Issa; Jim Brulte, Senator, State of California; Wayne Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3558, Species Protection and Conservation of the Environment Act; H.R. 3908, amended, North American Wetlands Conservation Reauthorization Act; and H.R. 4044, amended, authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the State of Maryland for implementation of a program to eradicate nutria and restore marshland damaged by nutria.

MOTION TO CONCUR IN SENATE AMENDMENT WITH AN AMENDMENT TO THE FAIRNESS FOR FOSTER CARE FAMILIES ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 6 to 3, a rule providing for a motion offered by the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 586, Fairness for Foster Care Families Act of 2001, with the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the resolution. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion to concur in the Senate amendment with an amendment. The rule provides 1 hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. Finally, the rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thomas and Representatives Rangel, Tanner, Turner and Phelps.

CLIMATE RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVES—NEW DIRECTIONS

Committee on Science: Held a hearing on New Directions for Climate Research and Technology Initiatives. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Small Business: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 4231, Small Business Advocacy Improvement Act; H.R. 2867, Small Business Opportunity Enhancement Act of 2001; and S. 174, amended, Microloan Program Improvement Act of 2001.

HOW TRANSIT SERVES AND BENEFITS U.S. COMMUNITIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on How Transit Serves and Benefits U.S. Communities. Testimony was hearing on Jenna Dorn, Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation; JayEtta Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—WATER RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT ACT PROPOSALS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment continued oversight hearings on Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from Representatives Matsui, Tauzin, Visclosky, Woolsey, Underwood, Shimkus, Carson of Indiana, Crowley, Gonzalez and Acevedo-Vila.

INTEGRATING PRESCRIPTION DRUGS INTO MEDICARE

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on Integrating Prescription Drugs into Medicare. Testimony was heard from Tommy G. Thompson, Secretary of Health and Human Services; David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; and public witnesses.

WATER QUALITY FINANCING ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3930, Water Quality Financing Act of 2002.

BRIEFING—U.S. INTELLIGENCE RELATIONSHIPS—PARTIES IN ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing regarding U.S. intelligence relationships with parties in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The Committee was briefed by departmental briefers.

NATIONAL IMAGERY AND MAPPING AGENCY

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on National Imagery and Mapping Agency. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

MONETARY POLICY/ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the monetary policy and economic outlook in the context of the current economic situation, focusing on the economic rebound now underway, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings on the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Office of Environmental Management and the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Treasury and General Government, to continue hearings on the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for certain law enforcement activities, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 1991, to establish a national rail passenger transportation system, reauthorize Amtrak, improve security and service on Amtrak; S. 2039, to expand aviation capacity in the Chicago area; S. 1220, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to establish a grant program for the rehabilitation, preservation, or improvement of railroad track; S. 1739, to authorize grants to improve security on over-the-road buses; S. 1750, to make technical corrections to the HAZMAT provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act; S. 1871, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to conduct a rail transportation security risk assessment; H.R. 2546, to amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit States from requiring a license or fee on account of the fact that a motor vehicle is providing interstate pre-arranged ground transportation service; and pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings on S. 1441/H.R. 695, to establish the Oil Region National Heritage Area; S. 1526, to establish the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area in the State of Georgia; S. 1638, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the French Colonial Heritage Area in the State of Missouri as a unit of the National

Park System; S. 1809, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Buffalo Bayou National Heritage Area in west Houston, Texas; S. 1939, to establish the Great Basin National Heritage Area, Nevada and Utah; and S. 2033, to authorize appropriations for the John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, 3 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine corporate governance and executive compensation, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the state of public health preparedness for terrorism involving weapons of mass destruction, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine workplace injury issues, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on Bureau of Prisons, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on District of Columbia, on Economic Development, 1:30 p.m., 2362 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs, on Fiscal Year 2002 Supplemental and Fiscal Year 2003 Regular Appropriations Requests for Security Assistance and Assistance to the Front Line States, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, on Congressional Witnesses, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Congressional Witnesses, 9:45 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government, on Customs/Trade Issue, 9:30 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on American Battle Monuments Commission, 9:30 a.m., on Consumer Product Safety Commission, 10:30 a.m., and on Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, 11:30 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, to mark up H.R. 4092, Working Toward Independence Act of 2002, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Education Reform, hearing on Special Education Finance at the Federal, State and Local Levels, 2 p.m., 2261 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on H.R. 2037, Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act, 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "A Review of the President's Recommendation to Develop a Nuclear Waste Repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.