

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 5728–5757; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 125; H. Con. Res. 518–520, and H. Res. 613–616, were introduced. **Pages H9023–24**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1452, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit certain long-term permanent resident aliens to seek cancellation of removal under such Act, amended (H. Rept. 107–785);

H.R. 5334, to ensure that a public safety officer who suffers a fatal heart attack or stroke while on duty shall be presumed to have died in the line of duty for purposes of public safety officer survivor benefits (H. Rept. 107–786);

H.R. 2458, to enhance the management and promotion of electronic Government services and processes by establishing a Federal Chief Information Officer within the Office of Management and Budget, and by establishing a broad framework of measures that require using Internet-based information technology to enhance citizen access to Government information and services, amended (H. Rept. 107–787, part 1);

Report of the Joint Economic Committee on the 2002 Economic Report of the President (H. Rept. 107–788); and

Conference report on H.R. 4628, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 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. 107–789). **Pages H8764–84, H9023**

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the House passed over without prejudice H.R. 392, for the relief of Nancy B. Wilson. Subsequently the House passed H.R. 3758, for the relief of So Hyun Jun. **Pages H8736–37**

Recess: the House recessed at 1:58 p.m. and reconvened at 3:15 p.m. **Pages H8741–42**

Reduction of Preexisting PAGO Balances: The House passed H.R. 5708, to reduce preexisting PAGO balances by recorded vote by 366 ayes to 19 noes, Roll No. 482. **Pages H8785–94**

Rejected the Moore motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Budget with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment that reduces balances in fiscal years 2002 and 2003 and further reduces all balances in succeeding fiscal years if the President submits a

budget that projects an on-budget balance or an on-budget surplus by fiscal year 2008 by recorded vote of 187 ayes to 201 noes, Roll No. 481.

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H. Res. 602, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on Nov. 13.

Technical Amendments to the Social Security Act—Extensions of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation: The House agreed to the motion to concur in the Senate amendments with amendments to H.R. 5063, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a special rule for members of the uniformed services in determining the exclusion of gain from the sale of a principal residence and to restore the tax exempt status of death gratuity payments to members of the uniformed services. The text amendment in the nature of a substitute was printed in H. Rept. 107–784, the report accompanying the rule. The title was amended so as to read: “An Act to make technical amendments to the Social Security Act and related Acts.”. **Pages H8794–H8801**

Agreed to H. Res. 609, the rule that provided for consideration of the Senate amendments with amendments by recorded vote of 245 ayes to 137 noes, Roll No. 480. Earlier agreed to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 207 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 479. **Pages H8757–64**

Terrorism Risk Insurance Act: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 3210, to ensure the continued financial capacity of insurers to provide coverage for risks from terrorism. **Pages H8802–09**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 607, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report by voice vote. **Pages H8738–41**

Port and Maritime Security Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany S. 1214, to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, to establish a program to ensure greater security for United States seaports—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H8809–14**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 605, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report by voice vote. **Pages H8737–38**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:08 p.m. and reconvened at 11:10 p.m. **Page H8814**

Intelligence Authorization Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4628, a bill to authorize appropriations

for fiscal year 2003 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, by a yea-and-nay vote of 366 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 483. **Pages H8814–22**

The conference report was considered by unanimous consent. **Page H8814**

Point of Order Sustained Against Bankruptcy Conference Report: The Chair sustained the Blunt point of order under clause 9 of rule 22 that the conference report to accompany H.R. 333, to amend title 11, United States Code, included matter outside the scope of the differences between the two Houses that were committed to the conference committee for resolution. Representative Blunt specifically cited section 331 of the conference report, which was described in the joint explanatory statement of the managers as having no counterpart in either the House bill or Senate amendment. **Pages H8824–25**

Earlier, the House failed to agree to H. Res. 606, the rule that sought to waive points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 333, and against its consideration, by a yea-and-nay vote of 172 yeas to 243 nays, Roll No. 478. **Pages H8742–57**

Bankruptcy Reform: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 333, to amend title 11, United States Code, with an amendment by a recorded vote of 244 yeas to 116 noes, Roll No. 484. Earlier, Representative Gekas moved that the House recede from disagreement to the Senate amendment to the bill, and concur therein with an amendment that, in lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, inserts the matter after the enacting clause in H.R. 5745, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, as introduced on November 14, 2002. **Pages H8825–77**

Committee on Rules Resolutions: H. Res. 586, 587, 601, 603, and 608 were laid on the table. **Page H8877**

National Park Service Design Commission: The House agreed to H. Res. 591, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the National Park Service should form a committee for the purpose of establishing guidelines to launch a national design competition. **Page H8879**

Commemorative Work to Honor President John Adams: The House passed H.J. Res. 117, approving the location of the commemorative work in the District of Columbia honoring former President John Adams. **Page H8879**

Bainbridge Island Study: The House passed H.R. 3747, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the site commonly known as

Eagledale Ferry Dock at Taylor Avenue in the State of Washington for potential inclusion in the National Park System. **Pages H8879–80**

Caribbean Forest Wilderness: The House passed H.R. 3955, amended, to designate certain National Forest System lands in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System. **Pages H8880–81**

Hydrographic Services et al.: The House passed H.R. 4883, to reauthorize the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998. **Pages H8881–89**

Salt River Bay Park Boundary: The House passed H.R. 5097, amended, to adjust the boundaries of the Salt River Bay National Historical Park and Ecological Preserve located in St. Croix, Virgin Islands. **Page H8889**

Mount Rainier Boundary Adjustment: The House passed H.R. 5512, amended, to provide for an adjustment of the boundaries of Mount Rainier National Park. **Pages H8889–90**

Yavapai Indians Land Exchange: The House passed H.R. 5513, amended, to authorize and direct the exchange of certain land in the State of Arizona between the Secretary of Agriculture and Yavapai Ranch Limited Partnership. Agreed to amend the title. **Pages H8890–98**

Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Conservation et al.: The House passed S. 990, amended, to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to improve the provisions relating to wildlife conservation and restoration programs. **Pages H8898–H8911**

POW/MIA Flag Display: The House passed S. 1226, to require the display of the POW/MIA flag at the World War II memorial, the Korean War Veterans Memorial, and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H8911–12**

Haines, Oregon Land Exchange: The House passed S. 1907, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to the city of Haines, Oregon—clearing the measure for the President. **Page H8912**

Old Spanish Trail: The House passed S. 1946, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Old Spanish Trail as a National Historic Trail—clearing the measure for the President. **Page H8912**

Indian Financing Act: The House passed S. 2017, amended, to amend the Indian Financing Act of 1974 to improve the effectiveness of the Indian loan guarantee and insurance program. **Pages H8912–23**

Big Sur Wilderness: The House passed H.R. 4750, amended, to designate certain lands in the State of

California as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System. **Pages H8923–24**

Consideration of Compound Request: The Chair announced that he would entertain the following compound request under the Speaker's Guidelines as recorded on page 712 of the House Rules and Manual with assurances that it has been cleared by the bipartisan floor and committee leadership. It was then agreed by unanimous consent that the House be considered to have:

1. Discharged from committee and passed H.R. 5334, H.R. 5436, H.R. 5738, S. 1010, H.R. 5716, H.R. 5499, S. 2239, H.R. 5280, H.R. 5586, H.R. 5609, H.R. 628, H.R. 629, H.R. 3775, H.R. 5495, H.R. 5604, H.R. 5611, H.R. 5728, and H.R. 5436;

2. Taken from the Speaker's table and passed S. 2712, S. 3044, and S. 3156 clearing the measures for the President;

3. Discharged from committee and agreed to H. Res. 604, H. Con. Res. 499, H. Res. 582, H. Res. 599, and H. Res. 612;

4. Discharged from committee, amended and passed S. 1843, in the form placed at the desk;

5. Passed H.R. 5504, amended;

6. Passed H.R. 3429, amended;

7. Discharged from committee, amended and agreed to H. Con. Res. 466 in the form placed at the desk;

8. Taken from the Speaker's table and concurred in the respective Senate amendments to H.R. 4664, H.R. 2621, H.R. 3609, H.R. 5469, and H.R. 3833—clearing the measures for the President;

9. Taken from the Speaker's table and amended S. 2237, in the form placed at the desk; and

10. That the committees being discharged be printed in the Record, the texts of each measure and any amendment thereto be considered as read and printed in the Record, and that motions to reconsider each of these actions be laid upon the table. Further the Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bills. **Pages H8925–H9007**

Rules and Manual of the House of Representatives: The House agreed to H. Res. 614, providing for the printing of a revised edition of the Rules and Manual of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Eighth Congress. **Page H9008**

Committee to Notify the President: The House agreed to H. Res. 615, providing for a committee of two members to be appointed by the House to inform the President. Subsequently the Chair appointed Representatives Arney and Gephardt to the Committee. **Page H9008**

Resignations—Appointments: Agreed that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Second Session

of the One Hundred Seventh Congress, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House. **Page H9008**

Extension of Remarks for Committee Leadership: Agreed that the chairman and ranking minority member of each standing committee and each subcommittee be permitted to extend their remarks in the record, up to and including the record's last publication, and to include a summary of the work of that committee or subcommittee. **Page H9008**

Extension of Remarks for House Members: Agreed that members have until publication of the last edition of the Congressional Record authorized for the Second Session of the One Hundred Seventh Congress by the Joint Committee on Printing to revise and extend their remarks and to include brief, related extraneous material on any matter occurring before the adjournment of the Second Session Sine Die. **Page H9008**

Convening of the First Session of the One Hundred Eighth Congress: The House passed S.J. Res. 53, relative to the convening of the first session of the One Hundred Eighth Congress at noon on Tuesday, January 7, 2003. **Page H9008**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, Nov. 19: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Tuesday, Nov. 19. **Page H9009**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Gilchrest or Tom Davis of Virginia to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through the remainder of the One Hundred Seventh Congress. **Page H9009**

National Science Foundation Authorization: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4664, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2003, 2004, and 2005 for the National Science Foundation clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H9009–18**

North American Wetlands Conservation Act Reauthorization: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3908, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act clearing the measure for the President. **Page H9018**

Senate Message: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H8735–36, H8757, H8887, and H9008.

Referrals: S. 958, was referred to the Committee on Resources, S. 2845 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, S. 3067 was referred to the Committee on Government Reform. S. 1742 was referred to the Committees on the Judiciary and financial Services. S.J. Res. 42 was referred to the Committees on

Transportation and Infrastructure and International Relations. S. 3044, S. 3156, S. 2712, S. 2934, S. 2520, and S. Con. Res. 155 were held at the desk.

Pages H9018–19

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and four recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8756–57, H8763, H8763–64, H8792–93, H8793–94, H8822, and H8876–77. There were no quorum calls

Adjournment: The House met at 1 p.m. and adjourned at 3:05 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 15.

Committee Meetings

GILMORE COMMISSION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Procurement, hearing on the Advisory Panel to Assess Domestic Response Capabilities for Terrorism Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction pending the release of its fourth report. Testimony was heard from James Gilmore, Chairman, Advisory Panel to Assess Domestic Response Capabilities for Terrorism Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction.

MERCURY—IN DENTAL AMALGAMS AND VACCINES

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing titled “Mercury in Dental Amalgams and Vaccines: An Examination of the Science.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Lawrence A. Tabak, D.D.S., Director, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, NIH; and David W. Feigal, M.D., Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA; and public witnesses.

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans and the Subcommittee on Environment, Technology and Stand-

ards of the Committee on Science held a joint hearing on the following bills: H.R. 5395, Aquatic Invasive Species Research Act; and H.R. 5396, National Aquatic Invasive Species Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from Steve Williams, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Timothy R. E. Keeney, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Capt. Michael W. Brown, USCG, Chief, Office of Operating and Environmental Standards, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Gregory M. Ruiz, Senior Scientist, Environmental Research Center, Smithsonian Institution; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1136)

S. 1210, to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996. Signed on November 13, 2002. (Public Law 107–292)

S. 2690, to reaffirm the reference to one Nation under God in the Pledge of Allegiance. Signed on November 13, 2002. (Public Law 107–293)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Alejandro Modesto Sanchez, of Florida, and Andrew Saul and Gordon Whiting, both of New York, each to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, 10 a.m., SD–342.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.