

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions' Subcommittee on Children and Families to receive a report from Senator Frist relative to the HIV/AIDS Codel to Africa.

### ELDER JUSTICE AND PROTECTION

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Aging concluded a hearing to examine financial abuse and exploitation of the elderly, focusing on issues that elderly consumers face in today's investment marketplace, after receiving testimony from Maryland State Attorney General J. Joseph Curran, Jr., Baltimore; Carol Scott, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Jefferson City, on behalf of the National Association of State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs; Robert B. Blancato, National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, Washington, D.C.; W. Lee Hammond, AARP, Salisbury, Maryland; and Richmond D. Chambers, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1720, to provide for Federal court proceedings in Plano, Texas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Con. Res. 58, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to raising awareness and encouraging prevention of stalking in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of National Stalking Awareness Month, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Con. Res. 76, recognizing that November 2, 2003, shall be dedicated to "A Tribute to Survivors" at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum; and

The nominations of Dora L. Irizarry, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, William K. Sessions III, of Vermont, to be a

Member of the United States Sentencing Commission, and David L. Huber, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, Department of Justice.

### AGRICULTURE MONOPSONIES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine monopsony issues in agriculture, focusing on the buying power of processors in the nation's agricultural markets, the role of antitrust enforcement in ensuring that agricultural markets are competitive, and the status of producers in an environment of concentrated purchasers of commodities, after receiving testimony from Senator Harkin; R. Hewitt Pate, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; DeeVon Bailey, Utah State University Department of Economics and Cooperative Extension Service, Logan; Ronald W. Cotterill, University of Connecticut Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, Storrs; and Peter C. Carstensen, University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Veterans Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Cynthia R. Church, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Public and Intergovernmental Affairs), who was introduced by Senator Warner, and Robert N. McFarland, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology), who was introduced by Senator Hutchison, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Measures Introduced:** 21 public bills, H.R. 3406–3427; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 316–319 and H. Res. 425–427, were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 3289, making emergency supplemental appropriations for defense and for the reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004 (H. Rept. 108–337); and

H. Res. 424, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 3289) making emergency supplemental appropriations for

defense and for the reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004 (H. Rept. 108–338).  
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**Approval of Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Thursday, October 29 by a recorded vote of 345 ayes to 58 noes with one voting "present", Roll No. 581.  
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**Motions to Adjourn:** The House rejected the McGovern motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 86 yeas to 317 nays, Roll No. 580.  
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The House rejected the Berry motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 76 ayes to 328 noes, Roll No. 584.  
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The House rejected the McGovern motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 68 yeas to 346 nays, Roll No. 585.  
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The House rejected the Hastings of Florida motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 54 ayes to 360 noes, Roll No. 588.  
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The House rejected the Oberstar motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 55 yeas to 360 nays, Roll No. 589.  
**Pages H10179–80**

The House rejected the Oberstar motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 59 yeas to 343 nays, Roll No. 590.  
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**Continuing Appropriations for FY 2004:** The House passed H.J. Res 75, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2004 by a yea-and-nay vote of 406 yeas to 13 nays, Roll No. 583.  
**Pages H10157–63**

Agreed to H. Res. 417, the rule providing for consideration of the bill on Wednesday, October 29.

**Flight 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act—Conference Report:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2115, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs for the Federal Aviation Administration, by a recorded vote of 211 ayes to 207 noes, Roll No. 592.  
**Pages H10163–70, H10173–89**

Rejected the Oberstar motion to recommit the conference report with instructions to the conference committee by a yea-and-nay vote of 197 yeas to 219 nays, Roll No. 591.  
**Pages H10187–88**

Agreed to H. Res. 422, the rule providing for consideration of the bill by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 199 noes, Roll No. 587, after agreeing on a motion to order the previous question by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 199 noes, Roll No. 586.  
**Pages H10174–75**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:40 p.m. and reconvened at 3 p.m.

**Interior Department Appropriations Act for FY 2004—Conference Report:** The House agreed to H.R. 2691, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004 by a yea-and-nay vote of 216 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 595.  
**Pages H10190–H10205**

Rejected the Hinchey motion to recommit the conference report to the conference committee by a yea-and-nay vote of 190 yeas to 229 nays, Roll No. 594.  
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Agreed to H. Res. 418, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report on Wednesday, October 29.

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

*Expressing gratitude to the members of the U.S. Armed Forces who were deployed in Somalia in 1993:* Debated on Tuesday, October 28, H. Con. Res. 291, expressing deep gratitude for the valor and commitment of the members of the United States Armed Forces who were deployed in Operation Restore Hope to provide humanitarian assistance to the people of Somalia in 1993, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 402 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 582;  
**Pages H10138–39**

*Repudiating the anti-Semitic sentiments expressed by Dr. Mabathir Mobamad:* Debated on Tuesday, October 28, H. Res. 409, repudiating the recent anti-Semitic sentiments expressed by Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, the outgoing prime minister of Malaysia, which makes peace in the Middle East and around the world more elusive, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 411 yeas with none voting "nay" and one voting "present", Roll No. 593; and  
**Pages H10189–90**

*Sense of Congress welcoming President Chen Shui-bian of Taiwan to the United States:* Debated on Wednesday, October 29, H. Con. Res. 302, expressing the sense of Congress welcoming President Chen Shui-bian of Taiwan to the United States on October 31, 2003, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 596.  
**Pages H10205–06**

**Supplemental Appropriations Act for FY 2004—Conference Report:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3289, making emergency supplemental appropriations for defense and for the reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, by a yea-and-nay vote of 298 yeas to 121 nays, Roll No. 601.  
**Pages H10139–57, H10206–31**

Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the conference report with instructions to the conference

committee by a yea-and-nay vote of 198 yeas to 221 nays, Roll No. 600. **Pages H10229–30**

Agreed to H. Res. 421, the rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII, that requires a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee, by a yea-and-nay vote of 217 yeas and 197 nays, Roll No. 597. **Pages H10206–10**

Agreed to H. Res. 424, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report by a voice vote. **Pages H10211–14**

**Energy Policy Act of 2003:** The House rejected the Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 6, to enhance energy conservation and research and development, to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people, by a yea-and-nay vote of 182 yeas to 232 nays, Roll No. 598. **Page H10210**

**Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act of 2003:** The House rejected the Davis of Florida motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a voluntary prescription drug benefit under the medicare program and to strengthen and improve the medicare program by a yea-and-nay vote of 195 yeas to 217 nays, Roll No. 599. **Pages H10210–11**

**Meeting Hour:** The House agreed that when it adjourn today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4 for morning-hour debate. **Page H10233**

**Calendar Wednesday:** The House agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, November 5. **Page H10233**

**Library of Congress Trust Fund Board:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mrs. Elisabeth DeVos of Grand Rapids, Michigan, to the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board. **Page H10233**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H10133.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 1405 and S. 1659 were ordered held at the desk, and S. 1590 and S. 1718 were referred to the Committee on Government Reform. **Page H10133**

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:37 a.m. on Friday, October 31.

## Committee Meetings

### U.S. CHEMICAL WEAPONS STOCKPILE DESTRUCTION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities held a hearing on Destruction of the U.S. Chemical

Weapons Stockpile—Program Status and Issues. Testimony was heard from Henry L. Hinton, Jr., Managing Director, Defense Capabilities Management, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Patrick Wakefield, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary (Chemical Demilitarization and Counterproliferation); Claude M. Bolton, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology); and Michael A. Parker, Director, U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency; and Craig Conklin, Chief, Nuclear and Chemical Hazards Branch Preparedness Division, Emergency Preparedness and Response Division, Department of Homeland Security.

### ENERGY EMPLOYEES WORKERS' COMPENSATION

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on "Energy Employees Workers' Compensation: Examining the Department of Labor's Role in Helping Workers with Energy-Related Occupational Illnesses and Diseases." Testimony was heard from Shelby Hallmark, Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Employment Standards Administration, Department of Labor; John Howard, M.D., Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; and a public witness.

### E-COMMERCE—ONLINE WINE SALES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled "E-Commerce: The Case of Online Wine Sales and Direct Shipment." Testimony was heard from Todd Zywicki, Director, Office of Policy Planning, FTC; and public witnesses.

### REVIEWING U.S. CAPITAL MARKET STRUCTURE

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled "Reviewing U.S. Capital Market Structure: Promoting Competition in a Changing Trading Environment." Testimony was heard from William H. Donaldson, Chairman, SEC; and public witnesses.

### SERVING THE UNDERSERVED IN THE 21ST CENTURY

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing entitled "Serving the Underserved in the 21st Century: The Need for a Stronger, More Responsive Public Health Service Commissioned Corps." Testimony was heard from Vice Adm. Richard H. Carmona, M.D., Surgeon General, Department of Health and