

1996 (by a recorded vote of 139 to 278 noes, Roll No. 341); **Pages H5360–62, H5375–76**

Smith of Michigan amendment that sought to reduce contributions to international organizations by \$20 million (by a recorded vote of 129 ayes to 291 noes, Roll No. 342); **Pages H5362–65, H5376**

Hefley amendment that sought to limit the amount for the United States Court of Federal Claims to \$7.5 million (by a recorded vote of 67 ayes to 347 noes, Roll No. 343); **Pages H5369–70, H5377**

Hefley amendment that sought to reduce total funding provided for in the bill by one percent (by a recorded vote of 81 ayes to 327 noes, Roll No. 344); **Pages H5372–73, H5377–78**

Withdrawn:

Otter amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of July 6) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have limited “sneak and peek” search warrants by narrowing the circumstances under which notice of the execution of the warrant is delayed to circumstances where the court finds reasonable cause to believe that providing immediate notification of the warrant “will endanger the life or physical safety of an individual, resulting in flight from prosecution, or result in the destruction of or tampering with the evidence sought in the warrant.”; **Pages H5358–60**

Sherman amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds to implement, litigate or defend the legality of, or enforce the regulations prescribed by the Comptroller of the Currency and published in the Federal Register on January 13, 2004; **Pages H5370–72**

H. Res. 701, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on Wednesday, July 7.

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Nadler motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 64 ayes to 324 noes, Roll No. 347. **Pages H5383–84**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5402.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5346–47, H5347, H5347–48, H5373–74, H5375, H5375–76, H5376, H5377, H5377–78, H5382–83, H5383, and H5383–84. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related

Agencies approved for full Committee action the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2005.

DOD TRADE OFFSETS IMPLICATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the economic, technology, vocational and skills implications of the Department of Defense trade offsets. Testimony was heard from Katherine V. Schinasi, Managing Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management Team, GAO; and public witnesses.

FASB PROPOSALS ON STOCK OPTION EXPENSING

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “FASB Proposals on Stock Option Expensing.” Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; Robert H. Herz, Chairman, Financial Accounting Standards Board; and public witnesses.

UN’s OIL FOR FOOD PROGRAM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled “United Nations Oil for Food Program.” Testimony was heard from Representative Flake; Joseph A. Christoff, Director, International Affairs and Trade, GAO; and public witnesses.

DIGESTIVE DISEASES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Assessing Digestive Diseases Research and Treatment Opportunities.” Testimony was heard from Allen M. Spiegel, M.D., Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; POST 9/11 WORLD TELEWORK OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Government Reform: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 4380, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4737 Mile Stretch Drive in Holiday, Florida, as the “Sergeant First Class Paul Ray Smith Post Office Building;” H.R. 4381, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2811 Springdale Avenue in Springdale, Arkansas, as the “Harvey and Bernice Jones Post Office Building;” H.R. 4442, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1050 North Hills Boulevard in Reno, Nevada, as the “Guardians of Freedom Memorial Post Office Building” and to authorize the installation of a plaque at such site; H.

Res. 646, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be established a National Community Health Center Week to raise awareness of health services provided by community, migrant, public housing, and homeless health centers; H. Res. 684, Honoring David Scott Tidmarsh, the 2004 Scripps National Spelling Bee Champion; and H. Res. 702, Honoring former President Gerald R. Ford on the occasion of his 91st birthday and extending the best wishes of the House of Representatives to former President Ford and his family.

The Committee also held a hearing entitled “Beneficial or Critical? The Heightened Need for Telework Opportunities in the Post-9/11 World.” Testimony was heard from Kay Coles James, Director, OPM; Stephen A. Perry, Administrator, GSA; Pamela J. Gardiner, Acting Inspector General, Tax Administration, Department of the Treasury; Scott J. Cameron, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Performance, Accountability, and Human Resources, Department of the Interior; J. Christopher Mihm, Director, Strategic Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness held a hearing entitled “Trafficking in Persons: The Federal Government’s Approach to Eradicate This Worldwide Problem.” Testimony was heard from John Miller, Director, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State; Deborah Daniels, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Victims in Crimes, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice; Christopher Gersten, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

FAMILY MOVIE ACT OF 2004

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4586, Family Movie Act of 2004.

ENERGY AND MINERALS WORKFORCE

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing entitled “The Aging of the Energy and Minerals Workforce: A Crisis in the Making?” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1630, amended, Petrified Forest National Park Expansion Act of 2003; H.R. 2457, amended, Castillo de San

Marcos National Monument Preservation and Education Act; H.R. 3954, amended, Rancho El Cajon Boundary Reconciliation Act; and S. 1576, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park Boundary Revision Act of 2003.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3391, amended, Provo River Project Transfer Act; H.R. 4459, Llagas Reclamation Groundwater Remediation Initiative; and H.R. 4606, Southern California Groundwater Remediation Act.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the following bills: S. 943, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for storage of the city’s water in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming; H.R. 4588, Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2004; and H.R. 4650, Wichita Project Equus Beds Division Authorization Act of 2004. Testimony was heard from Mark A. Limbaugh, Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA AND RELATED AGENCIES

APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 4766, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, equally divided and controlled between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution may be offered only by a Member designated in the report and only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in the report. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their

amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Bonilla.

WATER SUPPLY, RELIABILITY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing 1 hour of debate in the House on H.R. 2828, Water Supply, Reliability, and Environmental Improvement Act, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against the bill, as amended. The rule provides for consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, if offered by Representative Calvert of California or his designee, which shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Pombo and Representative Calvert.

WORKFORCE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Tax, Finance and Exports held a hearing entitled "H.R. 1818, Workforce Health Improvement Program Act of 2003: Healthy Employees; Healthy Bottom Line." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL CAPITOL REGION AIR SPACE CONTROL

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held an oversight hearing on National Capitol Region Air Space Control: A Review of the Issues Surrounding the June 9, 2004 flight of "N24SP." Testimony was heard from Linda Schuessler, Vice President, System Operations Services, Air Traffic Organization, FAA, Department of Transportation; and Jonathan Fleming, Chief Operating Officer, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 784,

Water Quality Investment Act of 2003; H.R. 4470, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program from fiscal year 2005 to 2010; H.R. 4688, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Program; and H.R. 4731, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program. Testimony was heard from Representatives Camp and Vitter; and public witnesses.

VETERANS MEDICAL FACILITIES MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2004

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action H.R. 4768, Veterans Medical Facilities Management Act of 2004.

U.S.-AUSTRALIA FREE TRADE IMPLEMENTATION ACT; CUSTOMS BORDER SECURITY AND TRADE AGENCIES AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 4759, United States-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act; and H.R. 4418, amended, Customs Border Security and Trade Agencies Authorization Act of 2004.

STRENGTHENING HOMELAND SECURITY

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "Practice Makes Perfect: Strengthening Homeland Security by Exercising Terrorism Scenarios." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: C. Suzanne Mencer, Executive Director, Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness; and Corey D. Gruber, Associate Director, Office for Domestic Preparedness; Thomas O. Mefferd, Director, DuPage County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, State of Illinois; and Clark Kimerer, Deputy Chief of Operations, Seattle Police Department, State of Washington.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D713)

H.R. 884, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Western Shoshone identifiable group under Indian Claims Commission Docket Numbers 326-A-1, 326-A-3, and 326-K. Signed on July 7, 2004. (Public Law 108-270)

H.R. 2751, to provide new human capital flexibilities with respect to the GAO. Signed on July 7, 2004. (Public Law 108-271)

H.J. Res. 97, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and