

the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11936.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY ALLEGATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing regarding the Depart-

ment of Defense Inspector General Report on allegations of sexual misconduct at the United States Air Force Academy from Joseph E. Schmitz, Inspector General, and Jerry Hansen, Deputy Inspector General, both of the Department of Defense.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 5430–5431; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 531–532, and H. Res. 870–875 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on S. 2845, to reform the intelligence community and the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government (H. Rept. 108–796);

H. Res. 870, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany S. 2845, to reform the intelligence community and the intelligence-related activities of the United States Government (H. Rept. 108–797); and

Conference report on H.R. 4548, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 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. 108–798). **Page H11057**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Ose to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H10927**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. Stanley G. Peterson, Senior Pastor, Monmouth Christian Church in Monmouth, Oregon. **Page H10928**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:07 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Page H10928**

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar, the House passed over without prejudice H.R. 710, for the relief of Mrs. Florence Narusewicz of Erie, Pennsylvania. **Page H10929**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 1:25 p.m. **Page H10930**

Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 2005: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4548, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and agreed to a conference. **Page H10930**

Appointed as conferees: from the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Hoekstra, Boehlert, Gibbons, LaHood, Cunningham, Burr, Everett, Gallegly, Collins, Jo Ann Davis (VA), Thornberry, Harman, Hastings (FL), Reyes, Boswell, Peterson (MN), Cramer, Eshoo, Holt, and Ruppertsberger. **Page H10930**

From the Committee on Armed Services for consideration of defense tactical intelligence and related activities: Representatives Hunter, Weldon (PA), and Skelton. **Page H10930**

Later the House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4548 by voice vote.

Recess: The House recessed at 1:27 and reconvened at 2:58 p.m. **Page H10930**

National Intelligence Reform Act of 2004: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany S. 2845, to reform the intelligence community and the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, by a recorded vote of 336 ayes to 75 noes, Roll No. 544.

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Rejected the Hoyer motion to recommit the conference report to the committee of conference by voice vote. **Page H11028**

H. Res. 868, the resolution waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to the same

day consideration of certain resolutions reported by the Rules Committee, was agreed to by voice vote.

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H. Res. 870, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by voice vote.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:09 p.m. and reconvened at 4:33 p.m.

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Printing of the Rules and Manual of the House for the 109th Congress: The House agreed to H. Res. 871, providing for the printing of a revised edition of the Rules and Manual of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Ninth Congress.

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Committee to Notify the President: The House agreed to H. Res. 872, providing for a committee of two Members to be appointed by the House to join a similar committee appointed by the Senate, to wait upon the President to inform him that the two Houses have completed their business of the session and are ready to adjourn, unless the President has some other communication to make to them. Subsequently the Speaker appointed Majority Leader DeLay and Minority Leader Pelosi to the committee.

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Extension of Remarks: 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.

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Also agreed that Members may have until publication of the last edition of the Congressional Record authorized for the Second Session of the One Hundred Eighth 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.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Gilchrest or, if he is not available to perform this duty, Representative Tom Davis of Virginia to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through the remainder of the second session of the One Hundred Eighth Congress.

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Adjournment Resolution: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 531, providing for the sine die adjournment of the One Hundred Eighth Congress, Second Session.

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Adjournment Sine Die Pending Receipt of Senate Message: Agreed that when the House adjourn

today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Friday, December 10, 2004, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its concurrence in H. Con. Res. 531, in which case the House shall stand adjourned sine die pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

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American Bald Eagle Recovery and National Emblem Commemorative Coin Act: The House agreed to H.R. 4116, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins celebrating the recovery and restoration of the American bald eagle, the national symbol of the United States, to America's lands, waterways, and skies and the great importance of the designation of the American bald eagle as an "endangered" species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

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Agreed to the LaTourette amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Authorizing technical corrections to the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004: The House agreed to H.R. 5426, to make technical corrections relating to the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004.

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Commending the Aero Squad After School Program at Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum in Compton, California: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 532, commending the Aero Squad After School Program at Tomorrow's Aeronautical Museum in Compton, California, as well as other youth aviation programs that expose young minorities to the field of civil aviation.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H11048–49.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 78 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H11028–29. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and at 8:38 p.m. pursuant to the previous order of the House of today, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Friday, December 10, 2004, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its concurrence in H. Con. Res. 531, in which case the House shall stand adjourned for the second session of the One Hundred Eighth Congress sine die pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

Committee Meetings

“MEDICAID PRESCRIPTION DRUG REIMBURSEMENT: WHY THE GOVERNMENT PAYS TOO MUCH”

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Medicaid Prescription Drug Reimbursement: Why the Government Pays too Much.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services: Dennis Smith, Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations; and George Reeb, Assistant Inspector, Audits; the following officials of the State of Texas: David J. Balland, Associate Commissioner, Medicaid and CHIP, Health and Human Services Commission; and Patrick O’Connell, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Medicaid Fraud Section, Office of the Attorney General; Paul Reinhart, Medicaid Director, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

UKRAINE’S ELECTION: NEXT STEPS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Ukraine’s Election: Next Steps. Testimony was heard from Senator Lugar; Representative Kaptur; and John F. Tefft, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, Department of State.

CONFERENCE REPORT—NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE REFORM ACT OF 2004

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany S. 2845, National Intelligence Reform Act of 2004, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Hoekstra and Representative Harmon.

Joint Meetings

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4548, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

NEW PRIVATE LAWS

(For last listing of Private Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1072)

S. 2042, for the relief of Rocco A. Trecosta of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Private Law 108–5).

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1116)

H.R. 1047, to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty, to make other technical amendments to the trade laws. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–429)

H.R. 1630, to revise the boundary of the Petrified Forest National Park in the State of Arizona. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–430)

H.R. 2912, to reaffirm the inherent sovereign rights of the Osage Tribe to determine its membership and form of government. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–431)

H.J. Res. 110, recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge during World War II. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–432)

H.J. Res. 111, appointing the day for convening of the first session of the One Hundred Ninth Congress. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–433)

H.J. Res. 115, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2005. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–434)

S. 150, to make permanent the moratorium on taxes on Internet access and multiple and discriminatory taxes on electronic commerce imposed by the Internet Tax Freedom Act. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–435)

S. 434, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain parcels of National Forest System land in the State of Idaho and use the proceeds derived from the sale or exchange for National Forest System. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–436)

S. 1146, to implement the recommendations of the Garrison Unit Joint Tribal Advisory Committee by providing authorization for the construction of a rural health care facility on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, North Dakota. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–437)

S. 1241, to establish the Kate Mullany National Historic Site in the State of New York. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–438)

S. 1727, to authorize additional appropriations for the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978. Signed on December 3, 2004. (Public Law 108–439)