

Victoria Nuland, of Connecticut, to be Permanent Representative of the United States of America on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, with the rank and status of Ambassador.

Terence Patrick McCulley, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mali.

Larry Miles Dinger, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Fiji Islands, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Nauru, the Kingdom of Tonga, Tuvalu, and the Republic of Kiribati.

Michael E. Hess, of New York, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Janice B. Gardner, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis, Department of the Treasury.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

5 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:29 p.m. until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, May 17, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5247.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 2362–2384; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 152–153, and H. Res. 279 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on Friday, May 13: H.R. 1817, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Homeland Security, amended (H. Rept. 109–71, Pt. 2);

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Filed on May 13: H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006 (H. Rept. 109–79);

Filed on May 13: H.R. 2361, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006 (H. Rept. 109–80);

H.R. 1224, to repeal the prohibition on the payment of interest on demand deposits, amended (H. Rept. 109–81);

H.R. 1215, to provide for the implementation of a Green Chemistry Research and Development Program, amended (H. Rept. 109–82); and

H. Res. 278, providing for consideration of H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006 (H. Rept. 109–83). Page H3330

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative McMorris to act as speaker pro tempore for today. Page H3265

Recess: The House recessed at 12:48 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H3268

Commission on International Religious Freedom: The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of Ms. Nina Shea of Washington, D.C., and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, Ms. Felice Gaer of Paramus, New Jersey to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a two year term ending May 14, 2007. Page H3269

Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act for FY 2006—CBO Estimate: The House agreed that the Congressional Budget Office cost estimate for H.R. 1817 be inserted in the appropriate place in the Congressional Record. Pages H3269–70

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

Linda White-Epps Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 627, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 40 Putnam Avenue in Hamden, Connecticut, as the “Linda White-Epps Post Office”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 390 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 171;

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Robert M. La Follette, Sr. Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 1760, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard in Madison, Wisconsin, as the “Robert M. La Follette, Sr. Post Office Building”;

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Supporting the goals and ideals of Peace Officers Memorial Day: H. Res. 266, supporting the goals and ideals of Peace Officers Memorial Day, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 391 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 172;

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Providing for the authorization to store water from the city of Cheyenne in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming: H.R. 1046, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the storage of the city’s water in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming;

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Potash Royalty Reduction Act of 2005: H.R. 485, amended, to provide that the royalty rate on the output from Federal lands of potassium and potassium compounds from the mineral sylvite in the 5-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act shall be reduced to 1.0 percent;

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National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Maintenance Fund Act of 2005: H.R. 2107, to amend Public Law 104–329 to modify authorities for the use of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Maintenance Fund, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 392 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 173;

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Newlands Project Headquarters and Maintenance Yard Facility Transfer Act: H.R. 540, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Newlands Project Headquarters and Maintenance Yard Facility to the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District; and

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Newlands Project Headquarters and Maintenance Yard Facility to the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District.

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Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area Act: H.R. 938, amended, to establish the Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area in the State of Connecticut and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:16 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H3287, H3287–88, and H3288. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies approved for full Committee action the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies appropriations for Fiscal Year 2006.

UN OIL-FOR-FOOD PROGRAM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “The United Nations Oil-for-Food Program: Saddam Hussein’s Use of Oil Allocations to Undermine Sanctions and the United Nations Security Council.” Testimony was heard from Gerald C. Anderson, Director, Office of Peacekeeping, Sanctions and Counterterrorism, Department of State; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2360, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes. The rule provides for one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by 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 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 Chairman Rogers of Kentucky and Representative Sabo.