

that there be 60 minutes equally divided for debate with no second-degree amendments in order prior to a vote in relation to the Feinstein amendment; that following debate on the Feinstein amendment, Senator Byrd be recognized to offer an amendment related to rural gas prices; that when the Senate resumes debate on the McCain/Lieberman Amendment No. 826 (listed above), there be three additional hours for debate with Senator McCain, or his designee, in control of 90 minutes, Senator Domenici in control of 30 minutes, and Senator Inhofe in control of the remaining 60 minutes, that following that debate, Senate vote in relation to the McCain/Lieberman Amendment No. 826 with no second-degree amendments in order prior to the vote.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, June 23, 2005.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, June 22, 2005.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—145) Pages S6877–78, S6891, S6902

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:58 p.m. until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, June 22, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6978.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: COMMERCE/JUSTICE/SCIENCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies ap-

proved for full Committee consideration H.R. 2862, making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

APPROPRIATIONS: AGRICULTURE PROGRAMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies approved for full Committee consideration H.R. 2744, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

IED

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on the nature of the evolving Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) threat and the Department of Defense's approach to addressing this threat from General Richard A. Cody, USA, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army, Brigadier General Joseph L. Votel, USA, Director, Joint IED Task Force, and Robert Buhrkuhl, Director of the Joint Rapid Acquisition Cell, all of the Department of Defense.

REGULATORY RELIEF

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine proposals to reduce unnecessary regulatory burden on depository institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, after receiving testimony from John M. Reich, Vice Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Julie L. Williams, Acting Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, and Richard M. Riccobono Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, both of the Department of the Treasury; Mark W. Olson, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; JoAnn M. Johnson, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; Eric McClure, Missouri Division of Finance, Jefferson City, on behalf of the Conference of State Bank Supervisors; Steve Bartlett, Financial Services Roundtable, Carolyn Carter, National Consumer Law Center, and Travis Plunkett, Consumer Federation of America, all of Washington, D.C.; Arthur R. Connelly, South Shore Savings Bank, South Weymouth, Massachusetts, on behalf of the America's Community Bankers; Chris Loseth, Potlatch No. 1 Federal Credit Union, Lewiston, Idaho, on behalf of the Credit Union National Association, Inc.; David Hayes, Security Bank, Dyersburg, Tennessee, on behalf of the Independent Community Bankers of America; Edward Pinto, Courtesy Settlement Services

LLC, Sarasota, Florida, on behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business; Bradley Rock, Bank of Smithtown, Smithtown, New York, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; Christopher A. Korst, Rent-A-Center, Inc., Plano, Texas; Eugene F. Maloney, Federated Investors, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Michael Vadala, The Summit Federal Credit Union, Rochester, New York.

DEEPWATER IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Fisheries and the Coast Guard concluded a hearing to examine the Coast Guard's revised deepwater implementation plan to secure America's waterways, focusing on preliminary observations on the condition of deepwater legacy assets and acquisition management challenges, after receiving testimony from Admiral Thomas H. Collins, Commandant, and Rear Admiral Patrick M. Stillman, Program Executive Officer, Deepwater Program, both of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Margaret T. Wrightson, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; and Ronald O'Rourke, Specialist in National Defense, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

U.S.-RUSSIA POLICY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the United States policy toward Russia, focusing on the fate of democracy, human rights, and the rule of law, energy issues, economic investment, and the spread of HIV/AIDS, receiving testimony from Patricia M. Cloherty, The U.S. Russia Investment Fund, New York, New York; Frank A. Verrastro and Celeste A. Wallander, both of the Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of 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; Joseph A. Mussomeli, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Cambodia; and Emil A. Skodon, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

JUVENILE DIABETES

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine issues relating to juvenile diabetes, focusing on the personal toll on families, financial costs to the Federal health care system, and research progress toward a cure, after receiving testimony from Allen M. Spiegel, Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Mary Tyler Moore, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF), New York, New York; Douglas Wick, Red Wagon Entertainment, Los Angeles, California; Gary Hall, Jr., Miami, Florida; and certain representatives of the JDRF Children's Congress.

VOTING TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the issue of voter verification in the Federal elections process, focusing on Direct Recording Electronic (DRE) voting machine security, and Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT), after receiving testimony from Senator Ensign; Conny McCormack, Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder, Norwalk, California; James C. Dickson, American Association of People with Disabilities, Washington, D.C.; David L. Dill, Stanford University Department of Computer Science, Stanford, California; and Ted Selker, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Media Lab, Cambridge, on behalf of the Caltech/MIT Voting Technology Project.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 3003–3009, 3011–3019; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 335–336 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1492, to provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II, amended (H. Rept. 109–142);

H.R. 3010, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and