

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 33 public bills, H.R. 3727–3759; and 2 resolutions H. Con. Res. 240–241, were introduced. **Pages H7859–61**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H7861**

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

Supplemental report on H.R. 3132, to make improvements to the national sex offender registration program (H. Rept. 109–218, Pt. 2); and

H. Res. 436, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3132) to make improvements to the national sex offender registration program, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–219). **Page H7832**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered today by Rev. Thomas Peoples, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Wisner, Louisiana. **Page H7822**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:38 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H7821**

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

**Sportfishing and Recreational Boating Safety Amendments Act of 2005:** H.R. 3649, to ensure funding for sportfishing and boating safety programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund through the end of fiscal year 2005, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 401 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 466; **Pages H7823–25, H7833–34**

**Honoring and memorializing the passengers and crew of United Airlines Flight 93:** S. Con. Res. 26, a concurrent resolution honoring and memorializing the passengers and crew of United Airlines Flight 93, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 403 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 465; **Pages H7825–27, H7832**

**Dandini Research Park Conveyance Act:** S. 252, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land in Washoe County, Nevada, to the Board of Regents of the University and Community College System of Nevada;—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H7827–28**

**Caribbean National Forest Act of 2005:** H.R. 539, amended, to designate certain National Forest System land in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System; **Pages H7828–29**

**Wind Cave National Park Boundary Revision Act of 2005:** S. 276, to revise the boundary of the Wind Cave National Park in the State of South Dakota, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 295 yeas to 106

nays, Roll No. 467;—clearing the measure for the President; and **Pages H7829–30, H7834**

**Hawaii Water Resources Act of 2005:** S. 264, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize certain projects in the State of Hawaii;—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H7830–32**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:57 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H7832**

**Message From the Clerk:** Read a letter from the Clerk notifying the House that he received messages from the Senate. **Pages H7834–35**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yeas-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7832–33, H7833–34 and H7834. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The house met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:51 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### BROWNFIELDS PROGRAMS

**Committee on Government Reform:** Subcommittee on Federalism and the Census held a hearing entitled “Brownfields and the Fifty States: Are State Incentive Programs Capable of Solving America’s Brownfields Problem?” Testimony was heard from Kathleen McGinty, Secretary, Department of Environmental Protection, State of Pennsylvania; John Magill, Director, Office of Urban Development, Department of Development, State of Ohio; Douglas P. Scott, Director, Environmental Protection Agency, State of Illinois; Andrew Hogarth, Chief, Remediation and Redevelopment Division, Department of Environmental Quality, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

### TERRORISM/VISA VULNERABILITY

**Committee on Government Reform:** Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations held a hearing entitled “Combating Terrorism: Visas Still Vulnerable.” Testimony was heard from Jess T. Ford, Director, International Affairs and Trade Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of State: Ambassador John E. Lange, Deputy Inspector General; and Tony Edson, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Visa Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs; Elaine Dezenski, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Policy Border

and Transportation Security, Department of Homeland Security; Susan Ginsberg, former Senior Counsel, National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States; and public witnesses.

### PROTECTING STREET CHILDREN

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations held a hearing entitled "Protecting Street Children: Vigilantes or the Rule of Law?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: David Denehy, Director, Strategic Planning and External Affairs, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor; and Lloyd Feinberg, Manager, Displaced Children and Orphans Fund, U.S. Agency for International Development; Lord David Alton, House of Lords, United Kingdom and Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and public witnesses.

### CHILDREN'S SAFETY ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 3132, Children's Safety Act of 2005, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. 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 the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule and that it shall be read by title. The rule makes in order only those amendments to the bill that are pre-printed in the Congressional Record or are pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. The rule provides that each amendment printed in the Congressional Record may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or a designee, and that each amendment shall be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representative Scott of Virginia.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2005

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings to examine the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the aviation industry, focusing on jet fuel markets, airport infrastructure, and Hurricane Katrina's impact on the National Airspace System, 10 a.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine issues relating to recovering from Hurricane Katrina, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to continue hearings to examine the nomination of John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be Chief Justice of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to receive a closed briefing regarding certain intelligence matters, 10:30 a.m., SH-219.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Science, The Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies, hearing on FBI Transformation Efforts, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* hearing on the Quadrennial Defense Review: Goals and Principles, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Hurricane Katrina: The Financial Institutions' Response," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Energy and Resources, hearing entitled "Meeting America's Natural Gas Demand: Are We in a Crisis?" 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* to mark up the following measures: H. Res. 375, Requesting the President and directing the Secretary of State to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution all information in the possession of the President and the Secretary of State relating to communication with officials of the United Kingdom between January 1, 2002, and October 16, 2002, relating to the policy of the United States with respect to Iraq; H. Res. 408, Requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Defense to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution all documents in the possession of the President and the Secretary of Defense relating to communications with officials of the United Kingdom relating to the policy of the United States with respect to Iraq; and H. Res. 419, Directing the Secretary of State to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution documents in the possession of the Secretary of State relating to the disclosure of the identity and employment of Ms. Valerie Plame, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats, hearing on U.S. Foreign Aid Programs to Europe, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* to mark up the following: H. Res. 420, Directing the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution documents in the possession of the Attorney General relating to the disclosure of the identify and employment of Ms. Valerie