

crimes to submit to an HIV test within 48 hours of such request; **Page H7912**

Wasserman-Schultz amendment (No. 8 printed in the Congressional Record) which states that civil confinement would encompass those who are deemed too dangerous to return to society without proper treatment and rehabilitation after psychological evaluation; **Page H7912**

Nadler amendment (No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record) that prohibits the transfer or possession of a firearm by any individual convicted of committing a sex offense against a minor; **Pages H7914–15**

Kelly amendment (No. 26 printed in the Congressional Record) that creates a national child abuse registry within the Department of Justice. The amendment also requires the Attorney General to work in consultation with the Secretary of HHS in creating the database; **Page H7915**

Pence amendment (No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record) that ensures that children are not exploited in the production and distribution of pornography. Additionally, the amendment provides increased protection to victims of child pornography and strengthens the hand of law enforcement in investigating and bringing charges in obscenity and child pornography cases; **Pages H7915–17**

Conyers amendment (No. 17 printed in the Congressional Record) that makes it a crime to knowingly misappropriate the personal identification information of a minor in interstate or foreign commerce; and **Pages H7917–18**

Conyers amendment (No. 25 printed in the Congressional Record) that adds a title and sections to the bill that may be cited as the “Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 2005” (by a recorded vote of 223 ayes to 199 noes, Roll No. 469). **Pages H7918–22, H7923**

Rejected:

En bloc amendment consisting of the following amendments: Scott of Virginia amendment (No. 4) that sought to remove mandatory minimum sentences; and Scott of Virginia amendment (No. 7) that sought to eliminate provisions, which call for the death penalty if a death results in connection with a crime against a child; and **Pages H7905–06**

Inglis amendment (No. 9 printed in the Congressional Record) that sought to remove the mandatory minimum incarceration provisions for sex offenders who fail to register under the provisions of the bill (by a recorded vote of 106 ayes to 316 naves, Roll No. 468). **Pages H7901–03, H7922–23**

Point of Order sustained against:

McDermott amendment (No. 10 printed in the Congressional Record) that sought to allow states that pay for child foster care for children who have

been displaced because of Hurricane Katrina to receive Federal payments both for placement services and foster care for one year, starting this month. **Pages H7913–14**

Aged that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H7924**

H. Res. 436, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote after agreeing to order the previous question without objection. **Pages H7879–81**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7871.

Senate Referrals: S. 1613 was held at the desk. **Page H7871**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:50 p.m. and reconvened at 9:16 p.m. **Page H7944**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and 2 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7922–23, H7923–24 and H7924. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FBI TRANSFORMATION EFFORTS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Science, The Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies held a hearing on FBI Transformation Efforts. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General; and Robert Mueller, Director, FBI; Randolph C. Hite, Director, Information Technology, GAO; the following officials of the CRS, Library of Congress: Alfred Cumming, Specialist in Intelligence and National Security Foreign Affairs, Defense and Trade Division; and Todd Masse, Specialist in Domestic Intelligence and Counterterrorism, Domestic Social Policy Division; and Dick L. Thornburgh, former U.S. Attorney General.

QUADRENNIAL DEFENSE REVIEW

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the Quadrennial Defense Review: Goals and Principles. Testimony was heard from Dov S. Zakheim, former Under Secretary (Comptroller), Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

HURRICANE KATRINA—FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS' RESPONSE

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a

hearing entitled “Hurricane Katrina: The Financial Institutions’ Response.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATURAL GAS CRISIS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy and Resources held a hearing entitled “Meeting America’s Natural Gas Demand: Are We in a Crisis?” Testimony was heard from Rebecca Watson, Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals, Department of Labor; Guy Caruso, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Ordered adversely reported 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 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.

U.S. FOREIGN AID PROGRAMS TO EUROPE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats held a hearing on U.S. Foreign Aid Programs to Europe. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Thomas C. Adams, Coordinator, U.S. Assistance to Europe and Eurasia, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs; and Drew W. Luten III, Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Europe and Eurasia, U.S. Agency for International Development.

RESOLUTION—DIRECTING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO TRANSMIT TO THE HOUSE DOCUMENTS RELATING TO DISCLOSURE OF THE IDENTITY OF VALERIE PLAME

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered adversely reported 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 identity and employment of Ms. Valerie Plame.

COAST GUARD AND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION ACT OF 2005

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted a modified open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 889, Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2005 equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. 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 Transportation and Infrastructure now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. 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. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule allows the Speaker to entertain a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3768 on the legislative day of Thursday, September 15, 2005. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young.

SELECT BIPARTISAN COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE PREPARATION FOR AND RESPONSE TO HURRICANE KATRINA

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H. Res. 437, To establish the Select Bipartisan Committee to Investigate the Preparation for and Response to Hurricane Katrina in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Rules. The rule waives all points

of order against consideration of the resolution. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit which may not contain instructions.

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OVERSIGHT VETERANS MATTERS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held an oversight hearing regarding the Department of Veterans Affairs information technology infrastructure reorganization, and proposed legislation to enhance the role of the Chief Information Officer. Testimony was heard from Linda Koontz, Director, Information Management Issues, GAO; from the following officials of the Department of Veterans' Affairs: Gordon H. Mansfield, Deputy Secretary; Richard A. Wannemacher, Jr., Acting Under Secretary, Memorial Affairs, National Cemetery Administration; Robert N. McFarland, Assistant Secretary, Information Technology and Chief Information Officer; and Pedro Cadenas, Associate Deputy Secretary, Cyber and Information Security; Jeff Seifert, Analyst in Information, Science and Technology Policy, Resources, Science, and Industry Division, CRS. Library of Congress; and a public witness.

EFFECTS OF UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURES OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on the Effects of Unauthorized Disclosures of Classified Information. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to resume hearings to examine the progress of Capitol Visitor Center construction, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Keith E. Gottfried, of California, to be General Counsel, Kim Kendrick, of the District of Columbia, Keith A. Nelson, of Texas, and Darlene F. Williams, of Texas, each to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Israel Hernandez, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the

United States and Foreign Commercial Service, Darryl W. Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary, Franklin L. Lavin, of Ohio, to be Under Secretary for International Trade, and David H. McCormick, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Export Administration, all of the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine U.S.-Indonesia relations, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Stewart A. Baker, of Virginia, and Julie L. Myers, of Kansas, each to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, 10:30 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 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: business meeting to markup S. 1182, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve health care for veterans, and S. 716, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance services provided by vet centers, to clarify and improve the provision of bereavement counseling by the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., SR-418.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to review Canada and Australia's experience with implementing national animal identification systems, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Emergency Housing Needs in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing entitled "Back to the Drawing Board: A First Look at Lessons Learned from Katrina;" followed by consideration of the following measures: H. Con. Res. 59, Recognizing the contributions of African-American basketball teams and players for their achievements, dedication, and contributions to the sport of basketball and to the Nation; H. Con. Res. 209, Supporting the goals and ideals of Domestic Violence Awareness Month and expressing the sense of Congress that Congress should raise awareness of domestic violence in the United States and its devastating effects on families; H.J. Res. 61, Supporting the goals and ideals of Gold Star Mothers Day; H.R. 2062, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 57 West Street in Newville, Pennsylvania, as the "Randall D. Shughart Post Office Building;" H.R. 2413, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1202 1st Street in Humble, Texas, as the "Lillian McKay Post Office Building;" H.R. 3439, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 North 3rd Street in Smithfield, North Carolina, as the "Ava Gardner Post Office;" H.R. 3440, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Avenida RL Rodriguez in Bayamon, Puerto Rico, as the "Dr. Jose Celso Barbosa Post Office Building;" H.R. 3667, To designate the facility of the United