

the Energy Policy Act of 2005 provisions on hydrogen and fuel cell research and development, after receiving testimony from David Garman, Under Secretary of Energy; Donald L. Paul, Chevron Corporation, San Ramon, California; James D. Balcom, PolyFuel, MountainView, California; J. Byron McCormick, General Motors Corporation, Detroit, Michigan; and Timothy D. Leuliette, Metaldyne Corporation, Plymouth, Michigan.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Christina B. Rocca, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the Conference on Disarmament, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 5808–5821; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 915–917, 919 were introduced. **Page H5280**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5280–81**

Reports Filed: A report was filed on Friday, July 14th, as follows:

H.R. 4132, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for officers and employees of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who obtain knowledge of criminal conduct within the jurisdiction of State and local prosecutors and fail to so inform those prosecutors, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–564).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5024, to require annual oral testimony before the Financial Services Committee of the Chairperson or a designee of the Chairperson of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, relating to their efforts to promote transparency in financial reporting, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–565);

H.R. 5068, to reauthorize the operations of the Export-Import Bank, and to reform certain operations of the Bank, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–566);

H.R. 5018, to reauthorize the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–567);

H.R. 2925, to amend the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 to extend the authority for drought assistance, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–568);

H.R. 5074, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 to provide for continued payment of railroad retirement annuities by the Department of the Treasury (H. Rept. 109–569);

H. Con. Res. 145, expressing the sense of Congress in support of a national bike month and in appreciation of cyclists and others for promoting bicycle safety and the benefits of cycling (H. Rept. 109–570, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3043, to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to carry out a pilot program to insure zero-downpayment mortgages for one-unit residences, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–571);

H.R. 5527, to extend the authority of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to restructure mortgages and rental assistance for certain assisted multifamily housing, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–572);

H. Res. 918, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 88, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage (H. Rept. 109–573);

H.R. 5684, to implement the United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement (H. Rept. 109–574);

H.R. 5337, to ensure national security while promoting foreign investment and the creation and maintenance of jobs, to reform the process by which such investments are examined for any effect they may have on national security, to establish the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, and for other purposes, with an amendment; (H. Rept. 109–523, Part II);

H.R. 1956, to regulate certain State taxation of interstate commerce, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–575); and

H.R. 5323, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide for ceremonies on or near Independence Day for administering oaths of allegiance to legal immigrants whose applications for naturalization have been approved (H. Rept. 109–576).

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H5225**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Boustany to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5225**

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

Marine Mammal Protection Act Amendments of 2005: H.R. 4075, amended, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to provide for better understanding and protection of marine mammals; **Pages H5226–31**

Springfield Armory National Historic Site, Massachusetts Act of 2005: H.R. 4376, amended, to authorize the National Park Service to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on behalf of Springfield Technical Community College; **Pages H5231–32**

Amending the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability study originally prepared for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail and provide for the inclusion of new trail segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with that trail: H.R. 3085, amended, to amend the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability study originally prepared for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail and provide for the inclusion of new trail segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with that trail, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 356 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 375; **Pages H5232–34, H5245–46**

National Capital Transportation Amendments Act of 2005: H.R. 3496, amended, to amend the National Capital Transportation Act of 1969 to authorize additional Federal contributions for maintaining and improving the transit system of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 242 yeas to 120 nays, Roll No. 376; **Pages H5234–40, H5246**

Federal Judiciary Emergency Tolling Act of 2005: H.R. 3729, amended, to provide emergency authority to delay or toll judicial proceedings in United States district and circuit courts, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 363 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 377; **Pages H5240–42, H5246–47**

Volunteer Pilot Organization Protection Act of 2006: H.R. 1871, amended, to provide liability protection to nonprofit volunteer pilot organizations flying for public benefit and to the pilots and staff of such organizations; and **Pages H5242–44**

Amending title 4 of the United States Code to clarify the treatment of self-employment for purposes of the limitation on State taxation of retirement income: H.R. 4019, amended, to amend title 4 of the United States Code to clarify the treatment

of self-employment for purposes of the limitation on State taxation of retirement income. **Pages H5244–45**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:38 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H5245**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H5225 and H5266.

Senate Referrals: S. 3525 was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and S. Con. Res. 109 was held at the desk. **Page H5277**

Quorum Calls — Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5245–46, H5246 and H5246–47. There were no quorum calls.

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

MARRIAGE PROTECTION AMENDMENT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule on H.J. Res. 88, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage, providing 1 hour and 30 minutes of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the joint resolution to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Representative Conyers and Frank of Massachusetts.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans' Affairs and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up H.R. 5385, making appropriations for the military quality of life functions of the Department of Defense, military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, 11:15 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Defense, business meeting to mark up H.R. 5631, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, 2 p.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury, the Judiciary, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up H.R. 5576, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies