

**IRAN**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security* concluded a hearing to examine Iran's nuclear impasse, focusing on the status of Iran's nuclear weapons capabilities, European negotiations and the U.N. Security Council, and the feasibility of further negotiations, democracy promotion, sanctions, and/or military operations, after receiving testimony from Amir Abbas Fakhraei, Independent Student Movement, Ilan Berman, American Foreign Policy Council, Michael A. Ledeen, American Enterprise Institute, Ray Takeyh, Council on Foreign Relations, all of Washington, D.C.; and Jim Walsh, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge.

**VA DATA PRIVACY BREACH**

*Committee on Veteran's Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) data privacy breach, focusing on the establishment of a new Office of Cyber and Information Security Training with the VA's Office of Information Technology, after receiving testimony from R.

James Nicholson, Secretary, and George J. Opfer, Inspector General, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs, who were accompanied by several of their associates.

**INTELLIGENCE**

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

**GENERIC DRUGS**

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the generic drug maze relating to access to affordable, life-saving drugs, focusing on the efforts to expedite the approval of generic drug products, after receiving testimony from Gary Buehler, Director, Office of Generic Drugs, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Jon Leibowitz, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission; Heather Bresch, Mylan Laboratories, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania; and Mark Merritt, Pharmaceutical Care Management Association, Washington, D.C.

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## House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 14 public bills, H.R. 5847–5861; and 12 resolutions, H.J. Res. 92–93; H. Con. Res. 452; and H. Res. 930–938 were introduced. **Pages H5565–66**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H5567**

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

H.R. 4165, to clarify the boundaries of Coastal Barrier Resources System Clam Pass Unit FL–64P (H. Rept. 109–581);

H.R. 5057, to authorize the Marion Park Project and Committee of the Palmetto Conservation Foundation to establish a commemorative work on Federal land in the District of Columbia, and its environs to honor Brigadier General Francis Marion, with amendments (H. Rept. 109–582);

H.R. 3817, to withdraw the Valle Vidal Unit of the Carson National Forest in New Mexico from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws (H. Rept. 109–583);

H.R. 2134, to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of the American Latino Community to develop a plan of

action for the establishment and maintenance of a National Museum of the American Latino Community in Washington, DC (H. Rept. 109–584, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3049, to amend section 42 of title 18, United States Code, popularly known as the Lacey Act, to add certain species of carp to the list of injurious species that are prohibited from being imported or shipped (H. Rept. 109–585);

H.R. 5411, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a demonstration program to facilitate landscape restoration programs within certain units of the National Park System established by law to preserve and interpret resources associated with American history, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–586);

H.R. 4947, to expand the boundaries of the Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–587);

H.R. 4301, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain parcels of land acquired for the Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal features of the initial stage of the Oahe Unit, James Division, South Dakota, to the Commission of Schools and Public

Lands and the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks of the State of South Dakota for the purpose of mitigating lost wildlife habitat, on the condition that the current preferential leaseholders shall have an option to purchase the parcels from the Commission, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–588); and

H.R. 5121 to modernize and update the National Housing Act and enable the Federal Housing Administration to use risk-based pricing to more effectively reach underserved borrowers, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–589).

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**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Phil Fulton, Pastor, Union Hill Church, Peebles, Ohio.

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**Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on yesterday, Wednesday, July 19th:

*Condemning the recent attacks against the State of Israel, holding terrorists and their state-sponsors accountable for such attacks, supporting Israel's right to defend itself:* H. Res. 921, to condemn the recent attacks against the State of Israel, holding terrorists and their state-sponsors accountable for such attacks, supporting Israel's right to defend itself, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas to 8 nays with 4 voting "present", Roll No. 391; and

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*Commending the National Aeronautics and Space Administration on the completion of the Space Shuttle's second Return-to-Flight mission:* H. Con. Res. 448, to commend the National Aeronautics and Space Administration on the completion of the Space Shuttle's second Return-to-Flight mission, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 393.

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**United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act:** The House passed H.R. 5684, to implement the United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 392.

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H. Res. 925, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 237 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 390, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 389.

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**Providing for a recess of the House for a Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Nuri Al-Maliki, Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq:** Agreed that it may be in order at any time on Wednesday, July 26, 2006, for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the call of the chair, for the

purpose of receiving in Joint Meeting His Excellency Nuri Al-Maliki, Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 24th, for Morning-Hour Debate.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, July 26th.

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**Late Report:** Agreed that the Committee on International Relations have until midnight on July 21st to file a report on H.R. 5682, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the pension funding rules.

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**Pension Security and Transparency Act of 2005—Motion to Instruct Conferees:** The House began consideration of the Miller, George of California motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2830, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the pension funding rules. Further consideration is expected to resume on Monday, July 24th.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H5493 and H5557.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 418 and S. 3693 were held at the desk.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5504, H5505, H5505–06, H5529–30 and H5530. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE CONVENTIONS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Held a hearing on H.R. 3849, PIC and POPs Conventions and the LRTAP POPs Protocol Implementation Act. Testimony was heard from Stephen L. Johnson, Administrator, EPA.

### TRIBAL LABOR RELATION RESTORATION ACT

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on H.R. 16, Tribal Labor Relations Restoration Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from Representative Hayworth; Joe Garcia, Governor, Pueblo of San Juan, San Juan Pueblo, State of New Mexico; and public witnesses.