

Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina, and Martin Karl Reidinger, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, who were both introduced by Senators Dole and Burr, Timothy D. DeGiusti, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma, who was introduced by Senator Inhofe, and Janis Lynn Sammartino, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, who was introduced by Senator Feinstein, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

FAIR ELECTIONS NOW ACT

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1285, to reform the financing of Senate elections, after receiving testimony from Senators McConnell, Specter, and Durbin; former Senator Warren B. Rudman, Americans for Campaign Reform, Nick Nyhart, Public Campaign, and Scott E. Thomas, Dickstein Shapiro LLP, all of Washington, DC; Stephen M. Hoersting, Centers for Competitive Politics, Arlington, Virginia; and Arnold Hiatt, Stride Rite Corporation, Boston, Massachusetts.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 2784–2801; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 171; and H. Res. 500–501, 503–507 were introduced. **Pages H6827–28**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6828–29**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 502, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2771) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008 (H. Rept. 110–201). **Page H6826**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Sires to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H6739**

Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Emmett Till Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Act: H.R. 923, amended, to establish an Unsolved Crimes Section in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and an Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Investigative Office in the Civil Rights Unit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 422 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 512. **Pages H6742–49, H6753–54**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To provide for the investigation of certain unsolved civil rights crimes, and for other purposes.” **Page H6794**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of Robin Beard, former Member of Congress. **Page H6754**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Monday, June 18th:

Calling on the United Nations Security Council to charge Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad with violating the 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and the United Nations Charter because of his calls for the destruction of the State of Israel: H. Con. Res. 21, amended, to call on the United Nations Security Council to charge Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad with violating the 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and the United Nations Charter because of his calls for the destruction of the State of Israel, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 411 yeas to 2 nays with 11 voting “present”, Roll No. 513; **Pages H6754–55**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Calling on the United Nations Security Council to charge Iranian leader Mahmoud Ahmadinejad with violating the 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and United Nations Charter because of his calls for the destruction of the State of Israel.” **Page H6755**

SBA Entrepreneurial Development Programs Act of 2007: H.R. 2359, to reauthorize programs to assist small business concerns, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 405 yeas to 18 nays, Roll No. 514; and **Pages H6755–56**

Amending the Small Business Act to expand and improve the assistance provided by Small Business Development Centers to Indian tribe members, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians: H.R. 2284, to amend the Small Business Act to expand and improve the assistance provided by Small Business Development Centers to Indian tribe members, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians, by a 2/

3 yeas-and-nay vote of 351 yeas to 73 nays, Roll No. 515. **Page H6756**

Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy: Representatives DeFazio, Loretta Sanchez, and Lamborn. **Pages H6756–57**

Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008: The House continued consideration of H.R. 2641, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. Consideration of the measure began on Tuesday, June 19th. **Page H6757**

Agreed to:

Matheson amendment that redirects \$1 million in funding within the account for the Office of the Inspector General; **Pages H6759–60**

Musgrave amendment (No. 16 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that strikes the \$1.8 million appropriated for the Denali Commission; **Pages H6764–67**

Wynn amendment (No. 27 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that adds a new section designating \$213 million for hydrogen technologies as authorized by section 974 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005; **Page H6772**

Harman amendment (No. 11 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that prohibits funds from being used to purchase any light bulbs that do not have the "ENERGY STAR" designation; **Pages H6772–73**

Berkley amendment (No. 7 printed in the Congressional Record of June 13, 2007) that prohibits funds from being used to administer the "Yucca Mountain Youth Zone" website; and **Page H6773**

Garrett (NJ) amendment (No. 8 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that adds a new section prohibiting the use of funds for the attendance of more than 50 employees from a Federal department or agency at any single conference occurring outside the United States. **Pages H6774–75**

Rejected:

Porter amendment (that was debated on June 19th) that sought to strike the provisions in the bill for nuclear waste disposal activities (by a recorded vote of 80 yeas to 351 noes, Roll No. 516); **Pages H6786–87**

Foxx amendment (No. 18 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that sought to reduce funding in the Departmental Administration

account under Title III by \$27,950,000 (by a recorded vote of 134 yeas to 293 noes, Roll No. 517); **Pages H6758–59, H6787**

Udall (NM) amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the National Nuclear Security Administration by \$192,123,000 (by a recorded vote of 121 yeas to 312 noes, Roll No. 518); **Pages H6760–63, H6787–88**

Neugebauer amendment (No. 17 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that sought to strike the \$35 million appropriated for the Appalachian Regional Commission (by a recorded vote of 133 yeas to 298 noes, Roll No. 519); **Pages H6763–64, H6788–89**

Musgrave amendment (No. 9 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that sought to reduce each amount appropriated or otherwise made available in the bill by 0.5 percent (by a recorded vote of 166 yeas to 267 noes, Roll No. 520); **Pages H6766, H6789**

Bishop (NY) amendment (No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of June 12, 2007) that sought to add a new section prohibiting the use of funds for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to review the application for the Broadwater Energy Proposal (by a recorded vote of 146 yeas to 285 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 521); **Pages H6767–69, H6789–90**

Jordan amendment (No. 14 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that sought to reduce total amounts appropriated in the bill by \$1,305,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 129 yeas to 301 noes, Roll No. 522); **Pages H6769–72, H6790–91**

Shadegg amendment that sought to add a new section prohibiting the use of funds to breach, decommission, or remove any Federal hydropower dams (by a recorded vote of 157 yeas to 274 noes, Roll No. 523); **Pages H6773–74, H6791**

Price (GA) amendment (No. 12 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that sought to reduce each amount appropriated or otherwise made available in the bill by 1 percent (by a recorded vote of 158 yeas to 275 noes, Roll No. 524); **Pages H6775–78, H6791–92**

Wilson (SC) amendment (No. 15 printed in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2007) that sought to reduce total amounts appropriated in the bill by \$1,130,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 138 yeas to 295 noes, Roll No. 525); and **Pages H6778–82, H6792–93**

Hinchey amendment that sought to add a new section prohibiting funds from being made available to designate any geographic area as a national interest electric transmission corridor under the Federal Power Act (by a recorded vote of 174 yeas to 257 noes, Roll No. 526). **Pages H6782–86, H6793–94**

Withdrawn:

Space amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of June 12, 2007) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Appalachian Regional Commission by \$30 million; **Pages H6757–58**

Schmidt amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to add a new section prohibiting the use of funds by the Global Nuclear Energy Partnership initiative for transfer or storage of spent nuclear fuel or high-level radioactive waste; **Pages H6765–66**

Wilson (NM) amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to add a new section designating \$37 million from the Science heading under Title III for the Medical Applications and Measurement Science Program; **Pages H6766–67**

Murphy (CT) amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to add a new section prohibiting the use of funds by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for issuance of a permit or other authorization for any action that may affect land use; and **Page H6767**

Conaway amendment (No. 5 printed in the Congressional Record of June 13, 2007) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to add a new section stating that it is the sense of the House of Representatives that any reduction in the amount appropriated by this Act achieved as a result of amendments adopted by the House should be dedicated to deficit reduction. **Page H6773**

H. Res. 481, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Tuesday, June 19th.

Making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008: The House began consideration of H.R. 2764, making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. Further consideration is expected to continue tomorrow, June 21st. **Pages H6795–H6809**

Agreed by unanimous consent that during further consideration of H.R. 2764 in the Committee of the Whole pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 498, no amendments to the bill will be in order except those provided on a list at the desk. **Pages H6818–19**

H. Res. 498, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote after agreeing to order the previous question. **Pages H6749–53**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6753.

Senate Referral: S. 277 was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources. **Page H6826**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6829–30.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and eleven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6753–54, H6754–55, H6755–56, H6756, H6786, H6787, H6787–88, H6788, H6789, H6789–90, H6790–91, H6791, H6791–92, H6792–93, H6793. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Organizing the Roles, Missions, and Requirements of the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WORK SAFETY MEASURES

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 980, Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act of 2007; and H.R. 2693, To direct the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to issue a standard regulating worker exposure to diacetyl.

ENERGY MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality approved for full Committee action the following issues related to energy legislation: as amended, promote energy efficiency; as amended, to facilitate the transition to a smart grid; re: Department of Energy EAct Loan Guarantees; as amended, to promote renewable fuel infrastructure; as amended, to promote advanced battery and plug-in hybrid technologies; and, to enhance Energy Information Administration data collection.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SYSTEM

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing to receive the annual testimony of the Secretary of the Treasury regarding the State of the International Financial System. Testimony was heard from Henry M. Paulson, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury.

WORLD REFUGEE DAY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health held a hearing on World Refugee Day 2007. Testimony was heard from William E. Fitzgerald, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration, Department of State; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also held a briefing on this subject. The Subcommittee was briefed by Judy