

Chabot amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 110–227) that sought to strike the authorization of appropriations for the creation of 20,000 new vouchers each year for years FY 2008 through FY 2012 (by a recorded vote of 144 ayes to 277 noes, Roll No. 626); and

Pages H7752–54, H7756–57

Hensarling amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 110–227) that sought to require that all adults in a household receiving Section 8 tenant assistance for more than 7 consecutive years must perform 20 hours per week of approved “work activities;” exemptions are provided for senior citizens, the disabled, those already exempt from TANF work requirements, and those who cannot access child care (by a recorded vote of 197 ayes to 222 noes, Roll No. 627).

Pages H7754–55, H7757

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 534, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote.

Pages H7719–26

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 4 p.m. tomorrow, and further, that when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 16th for Morning Hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, July 18th.

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Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation: Representative Skelton and Representative Hulshof.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the report that assesses the status of each of the 18 Iraqi benchmarks contained in Public Law 110–28—referred to the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–45).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7673, H7673–74, H7674, H7718–19, H7719, H7755–56, H7756–57, H7757, H7759, and H7760. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENERGY-BASED DERIVATIVE TRADING

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management held a hearing to review trading of energy-based derivatives. Testimony was heard from Walter Lukken, Acting Chairman and Commissioner, CFTC; Orice M. Williams, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, GAO; and public witnesses.

SUPPLEMENTAL ENERGY AND WATER, AND RELATED AGENCIES, AND COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2008

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for fiscal year 2008: Supplemental Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies; and, as amended, the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies approved for full Committee action the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for Fiscal Year 2008.

DOD APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2008

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session and approved for full Committee action the Defense Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2008.

MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on mental health. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: S. Ward Casscells, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs; VADM Donald C. Arthur, USN, Co-Chair, Defense Health Board Task Force Mental Health, Surgeon General, Department of the Navy, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery; and a public witness.

ALTERNATIVES FOR IRAQ’S FUTURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on A Third Way: Alternatives for Iraq’s Future, (Part 1). Testimony was heard from GEN Wesley K. Clark, USA (ret.); and a public witness.

DEFENSE INSTALLATION ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing to receive testimony on emerging contaminants and environmental management at Department of Defense installations. Testimony was heard from Alex A. Beehler, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary, (Environment, Safety and Occupational Health), Department of Defense; and John B. Stephenson, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO.

JUVENILE JUSTICE/DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities and the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security of the Committee on the Judiciary held, joint hearing on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act: Overview and Perspectives. Testimony was heard from Derrick Johnson, Vice-Chair, Juvenile Justice Commission, State of Arizona; David Freed. Cumberland County District Attorney, State of Pennsylvania; Paul Lawrence, Goffstown District Court, New Hampshire State Juvenile Justice Advisory Group; and public witnesses.

AFRICAN GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health held a hearing on Beyond Oil and Gas: African Growth and Opportunity Act's Benefits to Africa. Testimony was heard from Florizelle Liser, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative, Africa; and public witnesses.

HUMAN RIGHTS AND U.S. FOREIGN POLICY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight held a hearing on Ideals vs. Reality in Human Rights and U.S. Foreign Policy: The Cases of Azerbaijan, Cuba, and Egypt. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BORDER COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness, and Response held a hearing entitled "Challenges Facing First Responders in Border Communities." Testimony was heard from Leesa Morrison, Director, Department of Homeland Security, State of Arizona; and public witnesses.

U.S. ATTORNEY INVESTIGATION; REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE SUBPOENA

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the Continuing Investigation into the U.S. Attorneys Controversy and Related Matters. The Subcommittee adopted a motion to uphold the Chair's ruling regarding Harriet Miers' failure to appear and regarding her failure to answer questions and provide relevant documents as directed. The Chair ruled that Harriet Miers' refusal to comply with the subpoena and appear at this hearing, and to answer questions and provide relevant documents regarding these concerns, cannot be properly justified on executive privilege or related immunity grounds.

The Subcommittee authorized the Chairman of the Judiciary Committee to issue a subpoena to the Republican National Committee, for e-mail documents the Committee has requested pertaining to its investigation into the recent termination of United States Attorneys and the related subjects.

DEA'S REGULATION OF MEDICINE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security held a hearing on the Drug Enforcement Administration's Regulation of Medicine. Testimony was heard from Joseph T. Rannazzisi, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, DEA, Department of Justice; David Murray, Director, Counter Drug Technology, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL OFFSHORE AQUACULTURE ACT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 2010, National Offshore Aquaculture Act. Testimony was heard from VADM Conrad C. Lautenbacher, USN (ret.), Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere and Administrator, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Sue Aspelund, Special Assistant to the Commissioner, Department of Fish and Game, State of Alaska; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 105, Northern Neck National Heritage Area Study Act; H.R. 1083, To amend the Act establishing the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area in order to include Butler County, Pennsylvania, within the boundaries of that heritage area; H.R. 1145, Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area Act; H.R. 1297, Freedom's Way National Heritage Area Act; H.R. 1815, To extend the authorization for the Coastal Heritage Trail in the

State of New Jersey; and H.R. 1885, Santa Cruz Valley National Heritage Area Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cramer, Olver, English of Pennsylvania and LoBiondo; Janet Snyder Matthews, Associate Director, Cultural Resources, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL MERIT-BASED EMPLOYMENT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Services and the District of Columbia held a hearing on Ensuring a Merit-Based Employment System: An Examination of the Merit Systems Protection Board and the Office of Special Counsel. Testimony was heard from Scott J. Bloch, Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel; Neil A. G. McPhie, Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board; Morton Rosenberg, Senior Analyst, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

PAKISTAN/AFGHANISTAN OUTLOOK

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a hearing on Pakistan at the Crossroads; Afghanistan in the Balance. Testimony was heard from Richard A. Boucher, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, Department of State.

SBA'S MICROLOAN AND TRADE PROGRAMS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing SBA's Microloan and Trade Programs. Testimony was heard from Michael Hager, Associate Administrator, Capital Access, SBA; and public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION WORKER ID CARD SYSTEM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Transportation Worker Identification Card System. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: RADM Brian Salerno, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Policy and Planning; and Maurine Fanguy, TWIC Program Manager, Transportation Security Administration; and public witnesses.

BEACHES ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND COASTAL HEALTH ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources held a hearing on Reauthorization of the Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health Act. Testimony was

heard from Representatives Pallone and Bilbray; Benjamin H. Grumbles, Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, EPA; Anu K. Mittal, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; Lisa Jackson, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection, State of New Jersey; Patrick Heaney, Town Supervisor, Southampton, New York; and public witnesses.

VA PROCUREMENT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on Federal Procurement. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SBA: William D. Elmore, Assistant Administrator; and Louis Celli, Jr., Chairman, Advisory Committee on Veterans' Business Affairs; Scott F. Denniston, Director, Center for Veterans' Enterprise, Department of Veterans Affairs; Paul A. Denett, Administrator, Office of Procurement Policy, OMB; Charles Cervantes, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Small Business Programs, Department of Defense; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

WOMEN AND MINORITY VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a joint hearing on issues facing Women and Minority Veterans. Testimony was heard from Representative Wilson of New Mexico; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Shirley A. Quarles, R.N., Chair, Advisory Committee on Women Veterans; COL. Reginald Malebranche, USA (ret.) Member, Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans; Maureen Murdoch, M.D., VA Medical Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Betty Moseley Brown, Associate Director, Center for Women Veterans; and Lucretia McClenney, Director, Center for Minority Veterans; L. Tammy Duckworth, Director, Department of Veterans Affairs, State of Illinois; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

AGING OUT OF FOSTER CARE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support held a hearing on Children Who "Age Out" of the Foster Care System. Testimony was heard from Representative Cardoza; Cornelia Ashby, Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management

met in executive session to hold a hearing on Intelligence Community Management. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses

NUCLEAR TERRORISM

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence Analysis and Counterterrorism met in executive session to hold a hearing on Nuclear Terrorism. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

ENERGY INDEPENDENCE WITH 150 MPG VEHICLES

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing entitled “Plugging into

Energy Independence with 150 MPG Vehicles.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
JULY 13, 2007**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.