

prohibit the use of funds for a project or program named for an individual then serving as a Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, or Senator of the United States Congress; **Page H7764**

Flake amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of July 29, 2008) that seeks to a new section at the end of the bill for the elimination of military construction congressional earmarks; and

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King (IA) amendment (No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of July 29, 2008) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds to enforce subchapter IV of Chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Davis-Bacon Act).

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H. Res. 1384, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 550, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 243 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 549.

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Commission on International Religious Freedom—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of Ms. Elizabeth H. Prodromou of Boston, Massachusetts, to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a two-year term ending May 14, 2010. **Page H7775**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hoyer and Representative Van Hollen to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through September 8, 2008. **Page H7775**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H7633, H7658 H7723–24 and H7749.

Senate Referrals: S. 2617 and S. 3370 were held at the desk. **Pages H7633, H7658**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea-and-nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7673, H7673–74, H7675–76, H7676, H7676–77, H7677–78, H7678, H7698–99, H7699–7700, H7700, H7700–01, H7703, H7704 and H7705. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 1:08 a.m. on Friday, August 1st.

Committee Meetings

SUPREME COURT—GUANTANAMO DECISION

Committee on Armed Services: Continued hearings on Implications of the Supreme Court's Boumediene Decision for Detainees at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba:

Administration Perspectives. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Daniel Dell'Orto, Acting General Counsel; COL Steve David, USA, Chef Defense Counsel, Office of Military Commissions, Department of the Army; and Sandra Hodgkinson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Detainee Affairs; and Greg Katsas, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

U.S. GRAND STRATEGY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on A New U.S. Grand Strategy (Part 2). Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NAVY DESTROYER ACQUISITION PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces held a hearing on Navy Destroyer Acquisition Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: Allison Stiller, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Ship Programs; and VADM Barry McCullough, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Integration of Resources and Capabilities; Eric Labs, Senior Analyst, CBO; Paul Francis, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO; and Ron O'Rourke, Specialist in National Security, CRS, Library of Congress.

MIDDLE CLASS INCOME GAP

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Workforce Projects held a hearing on The Growing Income Gap in the American Middle Class. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

9/11 HEALTH AND COMPENSATION ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on H.R. 6594, James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from Representatives Maloney of New York; Nadler, and King of New York; Julie L. Gerberding, M.D., Director for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Michael R. Bloomberg, Mayor, City of New York; and public witnesses.

RECENT SALMONELLA OUTBREAK

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "The Recent Salmonella Outbreak: Lessons Learned and Consequences to Industry and Public Health." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Lonnie J. King, D.V.M., Director, National Center for Zoonotic, Bacter-Borne, and Enteric Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and David

W. K. Acheson, M.D., Assistant Commissioner, Food Protection, FDA; A. G. Kawamura, Secretary, Department of Food and Agriculture, State of California; Charles H. Bronson, Commissioner of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, State of Florida; Timothy Jones, M.D., State Epidemiologist, Communicable and Environmental Disease Services, Department of Health, State of Tennessee; Kirk Smith, D.V.M., Supervisor, Foodborne, Vectorborne, and Zoonotic Disease Unit, Acute Disease Investigation and Control Section, Department of Health, State of Minnesota; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 6078, Green Resources for Energy Efficient Neighborhoods Act of 2008; H.R. 840, Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2007; and H.R. 5244, Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights Act of 2008.

LEVERAGING FOREIGN AID FOR POLICY GOALS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade held a hearing on Foreign Aid and the Fight Against Terrorism and Proliferation: Leveraging Foreign Aid to Achieve U.S. Policy Goals. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Dell L. Dailey, Ambassador-at-Large, Coordinator for Counterterrorism; and Patrica McNerney, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation; and public witnesses.

ENERGY IN THE AMERICAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Energy in the Americas. Testimony was heard from Daniel S. Sullivan, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Economic, Energy and Business Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

SUNSHINE IN LITIGATION ACT OF 2008

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 5884, Sunshine in Litigation Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from Joseph F. Anderson, Jr., U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina; Mark R. Kravitz, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

SUBPOENA—FOR TESTIMONY OF CHRISTOPHER COATES; STATE SECRET PROTECTION ACT OF 2008

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties approved a resolution authorizing the Chairman to issue a subpoena to compel the testimony of Christopher Coates, Chief, Voting Section, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on H.R. 5607, State Secret Protection Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ANIMAL CRUELTY PREVENTION MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 6598, Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act of 2008; and H.R. 6597, Animal Cruelty Statistics Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from former Representative Charlie H. Stenholm of Texas; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law approved for full Committee action H.R. 6020, amended, To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to protect the well-being of soldiers and their families, and for other purposes.

The Subcommittee also began consideration of the following bills: H.R. 5882, To recapture employment-based immigrant visas lost to bureaucratic delays and to prevent losses of family- and employment-based immigrant visas in the future; and H.R. 5924, Emergency Nursing Supply Relief Act.

OVERSIGHT—SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE MILITARY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held an oversight hearing on Sexual Assault in the Military. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Michael Dominguez, Principal Deputy Under Secretary (Personnel and Readiness); Kaye Whitley, Director, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office; LTG Michael D. Rochelle, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff G-1, Department of the Army; Brenda S. Farrell, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, GAO; and public witnesses.

PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDINGS DURING PERIOD FROM AUGUST 1—SEPTEMBER 4

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 8 to 4, a rule providing that when the House adjourns on any

legislative day from August 1, 2008, through September 4, 2008, it shall stand adjourned until 11 a.m. on the third day thereafter. The rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for that time period as though under clause 8(a) of rule I. It provides that the Speaker may dispense with legislative business on each legislative day during that time period (other than proceedings under clause 6 of rule XV). It provides that on each legislative day during that time period the Journal of the proceedings of each previous legislative day shall be considered as approved. It provides that on each legislative day of that period, unless the Speaker determines otherwise under section 3 of this rule, after the third daily order of business under clause 1 of rule XIV, the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to the first section of this rule.

OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL IT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Science and Technology: Held a hearing on Oversight of the Federal Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) Program. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD CONFIDENTIALITY

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled “Cost and Confidentiality: The Unforeseen Challenges of Electronic Health Records in Small Specialty Practices”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 6658, Disaster Response, Recovery, and Mitigation Enhancement Act of 2008; H.R. 6460, amended, Great Lakes Legacy Reauthorization Act of 2008; H.R. 6630, To prohibit the Secretary of Transportation from granting authority to a motor carrier domiciled in Mexico to operate beyond United States municipalities and commercial zones on the United States-Mexico border unless expressly authorized by Congress; H.R. 5788, amended, Halting Airplane Noise to Give Us Peace Act of 2008; H.R. 6627, Smithsonian Institution Facilities Authorization Act of 2008; S.J. Res. 35, To amend Public Law 108–331 to provide for the construction and related activities in support of the Very Energetic Radiation Imaging Telescope Array System (VERITAS) project in Arizona; H.R. 6524, To authorize the Administrator of General Services to take certain actions with respect to parcels of real property located in Eastlake, Ohio, and Koochiching County, Minnesota, and for other

purposes; H.R. 6370, Oregon Surplus Federal Land Act of 2008; S. 2837, To designate the United States courthouse located at 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York, as the “Theodore Roosevelt United States Courthouse;” S. 3009, To designate the Federal Bureau of Investigation building under construction in Omaha, Nebraska, as the “J. James Exon Federal Bureau of Investigation Building;” S. 2403, amended, To designate the new Federal Courthouse, located in the 700 block of East Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia, as the “Spottswood W. Robinson III and Robert R. Merhige, Jr., Federal Courthouse;” H.R. 4131, To designate a portion of California State Route 91 located in Los Angeles County, California, as the “Juanita Millender-McDonald Highway”; H. Res. 1382, Honoring the heritage of the United States Coast Guard; H. Res. 1224, Commending the Tennessee Valley Authority on its 75th anniversary; and H. Res. 1376, amended, Commemorating the 80th anniversary of the Okeechobee Hurricane of September 1928 and its associated tragic loss of life.

VA’S MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Billions Spent on “Miscellaneous” Expenditures: Inadequate Controls at the VA. Testimony was heard from Kay L. Daly, Acting Director, Financial Management and Assurance, GAO; and Edward J. Murray, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Finance, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.

FOSTER CARE RACIAL DISPROPORTIONALITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support held a hearing on Racial Disproportionality in Foster Care. Testimony was heard from Kay E. Brown, Assistant Director of Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—REVISIONS TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 12333

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Revisions to Executive Order 12333. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

BRIEFING—HOT SPOTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence met in executive session to receive a briefing on Hot Spots. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

RENEWING AMERICA'S FUTURE: ENERGY'S VISIONS

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing entitled "Renewing America's Future: Energy Visions of Tomorrow, Today." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

S. 2607, to make a technical correction to section 3009 of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110–295)

S. 3218, to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110–296)

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D991)

H.R. 3564, to amend title 5, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Administrative Conference of the United States through fiscal year 2011. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110–290)

H.R. 3985, to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to register a person providing transportation by an over-the-road bus as a motor carrier of passengers only if the person is willing and able to comply with certain accessibility requirements in addition to other existing requirements. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110–291)

H.R. 4289, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Ponce, Puerto Rico, as the "Euripides Rubio Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic". Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110–292)

H.R. 5501, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110–293)

S. 231, to authorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program at fiscal year 2006 levels through 2012. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110–294)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider S. 3038, to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend the adoption incentives program, to authorize States to establish a relative guardianship program, to promote the adoption of children with special needs, S. 1070, to amend the Social Security Act to enhance the social security of the Nation by ensuring adequate public-private infrastructure and to resolve to prevent, detect, treat, intervene in, and prosecute elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, and S. 1577, to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to require screening, including national criminal history background checks, of direct patient access employees of skilled nursing facilities, nursing facilities, and other long-term care facilities and providers, and to provide for nationwide expansion of the pilot program for national and State background checks on direct patient access employees of long-term care facilities or providers, 9 a.m., SD–215.

House

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Notification Update, 11 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for July 2008, 9:30 a.m., SD–562.