

States are doing to keep citizens healthy, after receiving testimony from Iowa State Senator Jack Hatch, Des Moines; L. Allen Dobson, Jr., North Carolina Community Care Networks, Inc., Raleigh, on behalf of the Community Care of North Carolina and the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services; JudyAnn Bigby, Massachusetts Secretary of Health and Human Services, Boston; Jonathan Fiedling, County of Los Angeles Public Health, Los

Angeles, California; and William Emmet, Campaign for Mental Health Reform, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Dennis Blair, of Pennsylvania, to be Director of National Intelligence, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Inouye, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 33 public bills, H.R. 626–658; 2 private bills, H.R. 659–660; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 25 and H. Res. 78–82, were introduced. **Pages H484–86**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H486**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 78, electing certain minority members to the following standing committees: Committee on Agriculture: Representative Cassidy. Committee on the Budget: Representative Aderholt, to rank after Representative Nunes, and Representative Harper. Committee on Energy and Commerce: Representative Scalise. Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Representative Schock. Committee on Science and Technology: Representative Smith (NE), to rank after Representative Bilbray. Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Representatives Guthrie, Cao, Schock, and Olson, all to rank after Representative Latta. Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Representative Lamborn, to rank after Representative Bilbray, and Representative Roe (TN).

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Joint Economic Committee—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Joint Economic Committee: Representatives Maloney and Brady (TX).

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Privileged Resolution: The House agreed to H.J. Res. 3, relating to the disapproval of obligations under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, by a yea-and-nay vote of 270 yeas to 155 nays, Roll No. 27.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the fol-

lowing measures which were debated on Wednesday, January 21st:

Expressing support for designation of the week of February 2 through February 6, 2009, as "National School Counseling Week": H. Res. 56, to express support for designation of the week of February 2 through February 6, 2009, as "National School Counseling Week", by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 417 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 28 and

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Commending the University of Florida Gators for winning the Bowl Championship Series National Championship Game: H. Res. 58, to commend the University of Florida Gators for winning the Bowl Championship Series National Championship Game, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 399 yeas to 5 nays with 7 voting "present", Roll No. 29.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 80, electing the following Members to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives: Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Representatives Zoe Lofgren (CA), Chairman; Representatives Chandler, Butterfield, Castor (FL), and Welch.

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Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: Representatives Becerra, Matsui, and Sam Johnson (TX).

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon tomorrow; and further, that when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, January 26th.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H467–68, H468–69, and H469–70. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PREVENTING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION PROLIFERATION AND TERRORISM

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on preventing weapons of mass destruction proliferation and terrorism. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Commission on the Prevention of Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation and Terrorism: former Senator Bob Graham of Texas, Chairman; former Senator James Talent of Missouri, Vice Chairman; and Graham Allison, Commissioner.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on the Budget: Met for organizational purposes.

ECONOMIC STIMULUS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, portions of the economic recovery package under the Committee's jurisdiction, which includes health, broadband, and energy provisions.

MORTGAGE MODIFICATION; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 200, Helping Families Save Their Homes in Bankruptcy Act of 2009; and H.R. 225, Emergency Homeownership and Equity Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Miller of North Carolina and Marshall; and public witnesses.

Prior to the hearing, the Committee met for organizational purposes.

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Held a hearing on Infrastructure Investment: Ensuring an Effective Economic Recovery Package. Testimony was heard from Jim Doyle, Governor, State of Wisconsin; Astrid Glynn, Secretary of Transportation, State of New York; Terrell G. Dorn, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met for organizational purposes.

ECONOMIC STIMULUS

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 598, To provide for a portion of the economic recovery package relating to revenue measures, unemployment, and health.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 26 through January 31, 2009

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 4 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Timothy F. Geithner, of New York, to be Secretary of the Treasury, and vote on confirmation of the nomination.

Also, Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 2, Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: January 27, to hold hearings to examine challenges facing the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: January 27, to hold hearings to examine investment securities fraud, focusing on regulator and oversight concerns, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: January 28, to hold hearings to examine federal response to the housing and financial crisis, 10 a.m., SD-608.

January 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the global economy, focusing on outlook, risks, and implications for policy, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Foreign Relations: January 28, business meeting to consider the nominations of James B. Steinberg, to be Deputy Secretary, and Jacob J. Lew, to be Deputy Secretary for Management and Resources, both of the Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

January 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine global climate change, 10 a.m., SD-419.