

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 1 p.m., on Monday, July 20, 2009.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NATIONAL MANUFACTURING STRATEGY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:
Subcommittee on Economic Policy concluded a hear-

ing to examine the elements of a national manufacturing strategy, after receiving testimony from Mark Zandi, Moody's Economy.com, West Chester, Pennsylvania; Leo Hindrey, Jr., InterMedia Partners, New York, New York; and Scott N. Paul, Alliance for American Manufacturing, Silver Spring, Maryland.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 3246–3257; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 165–166; and H. Res. 657–660 were introduced. **Pages H8355–60**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H8356–57**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Jackson-Lee (TX) to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H8305**

Question of Privilege: The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representative Walden did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Agreed to the motion to table the appeal of the ruling of the Chair by a yea-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 174 nays, Roll No. 573. **Pages H8313–15**

Restore Our American Mustangs Act: The House passed H.R. 1018, to amend the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act to improve the management and long-term health of wild free-roaming

horses and burros, by a recorded vote of 239 yeas to 185 noes, Roll No. 577. **Pages H8306–13, H8315–28**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H8306**

Agreed to:

Rahall manager's amendment (printed in part A of H. Rept. 111–212) that broadens the types of fertility controls authorized under the bill, narrows the definition of prohibited "commercial" uses for wild horses and burros and clarifies the membership of the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Council; relaxes the requirement that the acreage available to wild horses and burros never be less than when the original Act passed in 1971; and the amendment makes restoration of the acreage a goal, rather than a requirement. **Page H8324**

Rejected:

Hastings (WA) amendment in the nature of a substitute (printed in part B of H. Rept. 111–212), which is identical to the text of the wild horses and

burros bill as passed by the House in the 110th Congress, that sought to prohibit the commercial slaughter of horses and was estimated by CBO to cost less than \$500,000 a year to implement (by a yea-and-nay vote of 74 yeas to 348 nays, Roll No. 576).

Pages H8324–27

H. Res. 653, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 236 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 575, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 574.

Pages H8306–07, H8315–16

Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010: The House passed H.R. 3183, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, by a yea-and-nay vote of 320 yeas to 97 nays, Roll No. 592. Consideration of the measure began on Wednesday, July 15th.

Pages H8328–40

Rejected the Simpson motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 30 yeas to 388 noes, Roll No. 591.

Pages H8338–39

Agreed to:

Heinrich amendment (No. 9 printed in part A of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that allows national security laboratories to dedicate an additional 1% (total of 7%) of each lab's annual budget to Laboratory Directed Research and Development (LDRD). LDRD allows laboratories to pursue high-risk, high-reward research and develop innovative technologies to support energy and homeland security priorities (by a recorded vote 424 yeas with none voting "no" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 578) and

Pages H8328–29

Cao amendment (No. 10 printed in part A of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that reduces the time between preparation of reports and submissions to Congress from 90 days to 60 days (by a recorded vote of 423 yeas to 1 no, Roll No. 579).

Pages H8329–30

Rejected:

Blackburn amendment (No. 11 printed in part A of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to make an across-the-board cut of 5% to all funding accounts in the bill (by a recorded vote of 167 yeas to 259 noes, Roll No. 580);

Page H8330

Campbell amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike the \$1,000,000 earmark for the Housatonic River Net-Zero Energy Building and reduce the overall cost of the bill by \$1,000,000 (by

a recorded vote of 121 yeas to 303 noes, Roll No. 581);

Pages H8330–31

Flake amendment (No. 1 printed in part C of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike \$1.5 million in funding for the "Maret Center" and reduce the overall cost of the bill (by a recorded vote of 89 yeas to 338 noes, Roll No. 582);

Pages H8331–32

Flake amendment (No. 3 printed in part C of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike \$1 million in funding for the "Consortium for Plant Biotechnology Research" and reduce the overall cost of the bill by a commensurate amount (by a recorded vote of 89 yeas to 335 noes, Roll No. 583);

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Flake amendment (No. 4 printed in part C of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike \$500,000 in funding for "Ethanol from Agriculture" and reduce the overall cost of the bill by a commensurate amount (by a recorded vote of 102 yeas to 318 noes, Roll No. 584);

Pages H8332–33

Flake amendment (No. 5 printed in part C of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike \$2 million in funding for the "Fort Mason Center Pier 2 Project" and reduce the overall cost of the bill by a commensurate amount (by a recorded vote of 125 yeas to 301 noes, Roll No. 585);

Pages H8333–34

Flake amendment (No. 10 printed in part C of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike \$300,000 in funding for "Whitworth University Stem Equipment" and reduce the overall cost of the bill by a commensurate amount (by a recorded vote of 81 yeas to 341 noes, Roll No. 586);

Pages H8334–35

Flake amendment (No. 11 printed in part C of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike \$1.6 million in funding for "The Boston Architectural College's Urban Sustainable Initiative" and reduce the overall cost of the bill by a commensurate amount (by a recorded vote of 111 yeas to 316 noes, Roll No. 587);

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Hensarling amendment (No. 1 printed in part D of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike \$500,000 for the Energy Conservation and Efficiency Upgrade of HVAC project in New York and reduce the overall cost of the bill (by a recorded vote of 133 yeas to 290 noes, Roll No. 588);

Pages H8335–36

Hensarling amendment (No. 2 printed in part D of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike \$6.22 million for the Pier 36 removal project in California and reduce the overall

cost of the bill by a commensurate amount (by a recorded vote of 128 ayes to 299 noes, Roll No. 589); and

Pages H8336–37

Hensarling amendment (No. 4 printed in part D of H. Rept. 111–209) that was debated on July 15th that sought to strike \$500,000 for the Automated Remote Electric and Water Meters in South River project and reduce the overall cost of the bill by a commensurate amount (by a recorded vote of 119 ayes to 308 noes, Roll No. 590).

Pages H8337–38

H. Res. 645, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Wednesday, July 15th.

Condemning the attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in July 1994: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 156, to condemn the attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in July 1994.

Pages H8340–42

Agreed to the Berman amendment that replaces the preamble of the resolution.

Pages H8341–42

Permitting official photographs of the House of Representatives: The House agreed to H. Res. 658, to permit official photographs of the House of Representatives to be taken while the House is in actual session on a date designated by the Speaker.

Page H8342

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 20th for morning hour debate, and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 21st for morning hour debate.

Pages H8342–44

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and 15 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8315, H8315–16, H8316, H8327, H8327–28, H8328–29, H8329–30, H8330, H8330–31, H8331–32, H8332, H8333, H8333–34, H8334–35, H8335, H8336, H8336–37, H8337–38, H8339 and H8340. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION, HUD, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS FY 2010

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following: Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies appropriations for fiscal

year 2010; and the Transportation, HUD, and Related Agencies appropriation for fiscal year 2010.

AMERICA'S AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE CHOICES ACT OF 2009

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3200, America's Affordable Health Care Choices Act of 2009.

AMERICA'S AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE CHOICES ACT OF 2009

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Continued markup of H.R. 3200, America's Affordable Health Care Choices Act of 2009.

Will continue July 20.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING ADMINISTRATION'S COMMUNICATIONS WITH GMC AND CHRYSLER REGARDING ASSISTANCE; FINANCIAL REGULATORY REFORMS

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported, as amended, H. Res. 591, Requesting that the President transmit to the House of Representatives all information in his possession relating to certain specific communications with and financial assistance provided to General Motors Corporation and Chrysler.

The Committee also held a hearing entitled "Industry Perspectives on the Obama Administration's Financial Regulatory Reform Proposals." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AMERICA'S AFFORDABLE HEALTH CHOICES ACT OF 2009

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported H.R. 3200, America's Affordable Health Choices Act of 2009.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 20 through July 25, 2009

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, 1 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 1390, National Defense Authorization 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 Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: July 22, to hold hearings to examine the role of agriculture and forestry in global warming legislation, 1 p.m., SR–325.