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House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 6287–6303; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 373; and H. Res. 1282–1283 were introduced. **Pages H5579–80**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5580–81**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1281, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules. **Page H5579**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:37 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Page H5485**

Discharge Petition: Representative English (PA) moved to discharge the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on Armed Services from the consideration of H.R. 2279, to expedite the construction of new refining capacity on closed military installations in the United States (Discharge Petition No. 9).

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Amending certain laws relating to Native Americans: H.R. 5680, amended, to amend certain laws relating to Native Americans; **Pages H5490–91**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend certain laws relating to Native Americans, and for other purposes.”. **Page H5491**

Fair, Accurate, Secure, and Timely Redress Act of 2008: H.R. 4179, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish an appeal and redress process for individuals wrongly delayed or prohibited from boarding a flight; **Pages H5491–96**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish an appeal and redress process for individuals wrongly delayed or prohibited from boarding a flight, or denied a right, benefit, or privilege, and for other purposes.”. **Page H5496**

Biometric Enhancement for Airport-Risk Reduction Act of 2008: H.R. 5982, amended, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security, for purposes of transportation security, to conduct a study on how airports can transition to uniform, standards-based, and interoperable biometric identifier systems for

airport workers with unescorted access to secure or sterile areas of an airport; **Pages H5496–98**

Catching Operational Vulnerabilities by Ensuring Random Testing Act of 2008: H.R. 5909, amended, to amend the Aviation and Transportation Security Act to prohibit advance notice to certain individuals, including security screeners, of covert testing of security screening procedures for the purpose of enhancing transportation security at airports; **Pages H5498–H5502**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Transportation Security Administration should, in accordance with the congressional mandate provided for in the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, enhance security against terrorist attack and other security threats to our Nation’s rail and mass transit lines: H. Res. 1150, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the Transportation Security Administration should, in accordance with the congressional mandate provided for in the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, enhance security against terrorist attack and other security threats to our Nation’s rail and mass transit lines; **Pages H5502–06**

National Bombing Prevention Act of 2008: H.R. 4749, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Office for Bombing Prevention, to address terrorist explosive threats; **Pages H5506–10**

Civil Air Patrol Homeland Security Support Act: H.R. 1333, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary to enter into an agreement with the Secretary of the Air Force to use Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions; **Pages H5510–13**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To direct the Comptroller General to conduct a study on the use of Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions, and for other purposes.”. **Page H5513**

Nuclear Forensics and Attribution Act: H.R. 2631, amended, to strengthen efforts in the Department of Homeland Security to develop nuclear forensics capabilities to permit attribution of the source of nuclear material; **Pages H5513–17**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To strengthen efforts in the Department of Homeland Security to develop nuclear forensics capabilities to permit attribution of the source of nuclear material, and for other purposes.” **Page H5517**

Commending the efforts of those who sought to block an international arms transfer destined for Zimbabwe, where the government has unleashed a campaign of violence and intimidation against members of the political opposition: H. Res. 1270, to commend the efforts of those who sought to block an international arms transfer destined for Zimbabwe, where the government has unleashed a campaign of violence and intimidation against members of the political opposition; **Pages H5520–22**

Condemning the endemic restrictions on freedom of the press and media and public expression in the Middle East and the concurrent and widespread presence of anti-Semitic material, Holocaust denial, and incitement to violence in the Arab media and press: H. Res. 1127, amended, to condemn the endemic restrictions on freedom of the press and media and public expression in the Middle East and the concurrent and widespread presence of anti-Semitic material, Holocaust denial, and incitement to violence in the Arab media and press; **Pages H5522–26**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Condemning the endemic restrictions on freedom of the press and media and public expression in the Middle East and the concurrent and widespread presence of anti-Semitic incitement to violence and Holocaust denial in the Arab media and press.” **Pages H5525–26**

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States, through the International Whaling Commission, should use all appropriate measures to end commercial whaling in all of its forms, including scientific and other special permit whaling, coastal whaling, and community-based whaling, and seek to strengthen the conservation and management measures to facilitate the conservation of whale species: H. Con. Res. 350, to express the sense of the Congress that the United States, through the International Whaling Commission, should use all appropriate measures to end commercial whaling in all of its forms, including scientific and other special permit whaling, coastal whaling, and community-based whaling, and seek to strengthen the conservation and management measures to facilitate the conservation of whale species; **Pages H5526–30, H5550**

Agreed by unanimous consent that the House vacate the ordering of the yeas-and-nays on agreeing to H. Con. Res. 350 to the end that the Chair put the question de novo. **Page H5547**

Public Housing Disaster Relief Act of 2008: H.R. 6276, to repeal section 9(k) of the United States Housing Act of 1937; and **Pages H5530–33**

American Veterans Disabled for Life Commemorative Coin Act: Concur in Senate amendment to

H.R. 634, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of veterans who became disabled for life while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H5533–35**

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Condemning postelection violence in Zimbabwe and calling for a peaceful resolution to the current political crisis: H. Res. 1230, amended, to condemn postelection violence in Zimbabwe and calling for a peaceful resolution to the current political crisis. **Pages H5517–20**

Presidential Veto Message—Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008: Read a message from the President wherein he announced his veto of H.R. 6124, to provide for the continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2012, and explained his reasons therefor—ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–125). **Page H5535**

Subsequently, the House voted to override the President’s veto of H.R. 6124, to provide for the continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2012, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 317 yeas to 109 nays, Roll No. 417 (two-thirds of those present voting to override). **Pages H5535–37**

National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2008: The House passed H.R. 6063, to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 409 yeas to 15 nays, Roll No. 421. Consideration of the measure began on Thursday, June 12th. **Pages H5537–42**

Rejected the Gingrey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Science and Technology with instructions to report the same back to the House promptly with amendments, by a recorded vote of 196 yeas to 225 noes, Roll No. 420. **Pages H5539–42**

Accepted:

Lampson amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 110–707) that was debated on June 12th that seeks to exempt NASA from Section 526(a) of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 if the contract does not specifically require the contractor to provide an alternative or synthetic fuel or fuel from a nonconventional source, the purpose of the contract is not to obtain an alternative or synthetic fuel or fuel from a nonconventional petroleum source, and the contract does not provide incentives for a refinery upgrade or expansion to allow a refinery to use or increase its use of fuel from a nonconventional petroleum source (by a recorded vote of 429 yeas to 1 no, Roll No. 418) and **Pages H5537–38**

Hodes amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 110–707) that was debated on June 12th that seeks to establish a scholarship program in honor of Christa McAuliffe, a teacher from Concord, New

Hampshire who died in the 1986 Challenger Space Shuttle disaster.

The scholarship would go to women pursuing degrees in mathematics, science, and engineering (by a recorded vote of 423 ayes to 3 noes, Roll No. 419).

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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. 1257, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Thursday, June 12th.

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of all those affected by the flooding in Iowa.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, June 17th:

Expressing support for designation of April 2008 as “Public Radio Recognition Month”: H. Res. 1002, amended, to express support for designation of April 2008 as “Public Radio Recognition Month”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 422.

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Expressing support for the designation of a Public Radio Recognition Month.”

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Commending the Orange County Water District and its employees for their sound financial management and innovative groundwater management, water quality, water efficiency, and environmental programs, on its 75th anniversary: H. Res. 1199, to commend the Orange County Water District and its employees for their sound financial management and innovative groundwater management, water quality, water efficiency, and environmental programs, on its 75th anniversary;

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Agreed by unanimous consent that the House vacate the ordering of the yeas and nays on agreeing to H. Res. 1199 to the end that the Chair put the question de novo.

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Celebrating the symbol of the United States flag and supporting the goals and ideals of Flag Day: H. Res. 1219, to celebrate the symbol of the United States flag and to support the goals and ideals of Flag Day;

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John P. Gallagher Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 6150, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14500 Lorain Avenue in Cleveland, Ohio, as the “John P. Gallagher Post Office Building”;

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Gerald R. Ford Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 6085, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 42222 Rancho Las Palmas Drive in Rancho Mirage, California, as the “Gerald R. Ford Post Office Building”;

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Recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day, and expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and more effectively facing the challenges of the future: H. Res. 1237, to recognize the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day, and to express the sense of the House of Representatives that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and more effectively facing the challenges of the future; and

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Supporting the goals and ideals of “American Eagle Day”, and celebrating the recovery and restoration of the American bald eagle, the national symbol of the United States: H. Res. 1247, amended, to support the goals and ideals of “American Eagle Day”, and to celebrate the recovery and restoration of the American bald eagle, the national symbol of the United States.

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Agreed by unanimous consent that the House vacate the ordering of the yeas and nays on agreeing to H. Res. 1247 to the end that the Chair put the question de novo.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to the accumulation of nuclear material by the Russian Federation is to continue beyond June 21, 2008—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–126).

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H5485, and H5559.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5536–37, H5537–38, H5538–39, H5541, H5542, and 5542–43. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3195, ADA Restoration Act of 2007; H.R. 2343, Education Begins at Home Act; and H.R. 3036, No Child Left Inside Act of 2007.

INTERNATIONAL/AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUNDS

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “The 15th Replenishment of the International Development Association (IDA) and the 11th Replenishment of the African Development Fund (AfSF).” Testimony was heard from Clay Lowery, Assistant Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.