

Responsibilities, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; John C. Gordon, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, on behalf of the Indian Forest Management Assessment Team for the Intertribal Timber Council; Jaime Pinkham, Intertribal Timber Council, Portland, Oregon; Gary S. Morishima, Quinault Indian Nation, Taholah, Washington; Ronnie Lupe, White Mountain Apache Tribe, Whiteriver, Arizona; Pliny McCovey, Hoopa Valley Tribe, Hoopa, California; and Lawrence Waukau, Minominee Tribal Enterprises, Keshena, Wisconsin.

INTELLIGENCE ROLES AND MISSIONS

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held hearings to examine United States national security interests and the role of the intelligence community in support of foreign and national policies in pursuit of these interests, receiving testimony from Lawrence H. Summer, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury; Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Charles B. Curtis, Deputy Secretary of Energy; Peter Tarnoff, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs; and Maj. Gen. Patrick M. Hughes, USA, Director for Intelligence, J-2, Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 2367–2369; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 107, H. Con. Res. 102 were introduced. **Page H9363**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1020, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, amended (H. Rept. 104–254, Part 1).

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Motion To Adjourn: By a yea-and-nay vote of 167 yeas to 237 nays, Roll No. 672, the House failed to agree to the Bonior motion to adjourn. **Page H9255**

Committee To Sit: By a yea-and-nay vote of 243 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 673, the following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during the proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Agriculture, Commerce, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, the Judiciary, National Security, Resources, Science, and Veterans' Affairs.

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National Highway System Designation: By a yea-and-nay vote of 419 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 679, the House passed H.R. 2274, to amend title 23, United States Code, to designate the National Highway system.

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Agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule (text of H.R. 2349)

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Agreed To:

The Shuster en bloc amendment that makes numerous technical changes and reduces by \$39 million funding for the State High Priority Project Restoration; restores funding for highway safety pro-

grams to \$177 million; extends through fiscal year 1997 provisions that ensure that any small town of less than 200,000 residents will receive at least 75 percent of the transit operating assistance it received for fiscal year 1995; ensures that any urban area that exceeded 1 million residents in 1980 and according to the 1990 census has less than that many residents now receive at least 90 percent of the transit operating assistance it received in fiscal year 1992; allows the Department of Transportation to exempt individual drivers of commercial vehicles weighing less than 26,000 pounds from some or all Federal motor carrier safety laws and regulations; requires the Department of Transportation to conduct a cost-benefit review of all Federal safety regulations that currently apply to vehicles weighing less than 26,000 pounds; increase from a 50-mile radius to a 100-mile radius the area in which drivers transporting agricultural or farm supplies may operate without complying with Federal hours of service regulations; and modifies Federal hours of service regulations for drivers of public utility trucks by providing that their limits on maximum driving and on-duty time be reset whenever they have an off-duty period of 24 consecutive hours;

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The Shuster amendment technical amendment;

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The Oberstar amendment that provides that the Secretary of Transportation in cooperation with States that increase the speed limit above that provided by Federal law prepare for Congress a study of the costs to the State resulting from death by motor vehicle crashes and the benefits associated with the repeal of the national maximum speed limit;

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The Lowey amendment that requires States to enact and enforce a national standard to prohibit the operation of motor vehicles by intoxicated minors (rejected by a recorded vote of 223 ayes to 203 noes, Roll No. 678); and **Pages H9299–H9304**

The Furse amendment that provides that the Secretary conduct a study to evaluate the effectiveness on reducing drunk driving laws which allow health care providers who treat individuals involved in a vehicular accident to report the blood alcohol level to the local law enforcement agency of jurisdiction if the individual's blood alcohol level exceeds the maximum level permitted. **Pages H9304–05**

Rejected:

The Rahall amendment that sought to strike the provision that repeals the national speed limit (rejected by a recorded vote of 112 ayes to 313 noes, Roll No. 676); **Pages H9287–93**

The Rahall amendment that sought to strike the provision that repeals the national speed limit and replace it with language to raise it to 65 miles-per-hour across the board (rejected by a recorded vote of 133 ayes to 291 noes, Roll No. 677); **Pages H9294–96**

The Nadler amendment that sought to require that tolls collected on bridges connecting the boroughs of Brooklyn, New York, and Staten Island be collected in accordance with State law;

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The Nadler amendment that sought to extend for two years the deadline by which the State of New York is required to repay to the Highway Trust Fund funds previously provided for a project that has since been terminated; and **Page H9298**

The Ward amendment that sought to strike the provision providing for the elimination of a penalty for noncompliance for motorcycle helmets.

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The following amendments were offered, but subsequently withdrawn:

The Beilenson amendment that sought to allow States entering into contracts on Federal-aid highway projects to require that contractors provide certain warranties and guarantees regarding their materials and work on such projects; and **Pages H9305–07**

The Miller of California amendment that sought to use prohibit funds from the Highway Trust Fund for the payment of a safety bonus to a contractor.

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Subsequently, S. 440, a similar Senate-passed bill, was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed. Agreed to amend the title of the Senate bill. H.R. 2274 was laid on the table. **Pages H9309–19**

House then insisted on its amendments to S. 440, to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide for the designation of the National Highway System,

and asked a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representative Shuster, Clinger, Petri, Emerson, LaHood, Mineta, Oberstar, and Rahall. **Page H9320**

H. Res. 224, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed earlier to by a yea-and-nay vote of 375 yeas to 39 nays, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 675. Agreed to order the previous question on the rule by a yea-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 173 nays, Roll No. 674. **Pages H9257–66**

Military Construction Appropriations: By a yea-and-nay vote of 326 yeas to 98 nays, Roll No. 680, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1817, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995—clearing the measure for Senate action. **Pages H9320–27**

H. Res. 223, the rule that waived certain points of order against the conference report, was agreed to earlier by voice vote. **Page H9320**

Agriculture Appropriations: House disagreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 1976, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996; and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Skeen, Myers of Indiana, Walsh, Dickey, Kingston, Riggs, Nethercutt, Livingston, Durbin, Kaptur, Thornton, Lowey, and Obey. **Pages H9327–28**

Agreed to the Durbin motion to instruct House conferees to insist on the amendment of the Senate bill numbered 88, providing for an increase of \$450 million from the Rural Housing Fund Program Account for loans to section 502 borrowers.

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Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act: House completed all general debate on H.R. 927, to seek international sanctions against the Castro government in Cuba, to plan for support of a transition government leading to a democratically elected government in Cuba; but came to no resolution thereon. Consideration of amendments will begin on Thursday, September 21. **Pages H9337–56**

H. Res. 225, the rule under which the bill is being considered, was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 304 yeas to 118 nays, Roll No. 681.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H9327.

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H9364.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H9255, H9257, H9264–65, H9265–66, H9292–93, H9295–96, H9303–04, H9309, H9326–27, and H9336–37. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12 a.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE; BUDGET RECONCILIATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported amended H.R. 436, to require the head of any Federal agency to differentiate between fats, oils, and greases of animal, marine, or vegetable origin, and other oils and greases, in issuing certain regulations.

The Committee also began markup of Budget Reconciliation recommendations.

TRANSFORMATION OF MEDICAID PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce: Began markup of the "Transformation of the Medicaid Program."

Will continue tomorrow.

LOCAL EMPOWERMENT AND FLEXIBILITY ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations concluded hearings on H.R. 2086, Local Empowerment and Flexibility Act of 1995, (Part 2). Testimony was heard from Howard Glaser, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Operations, Office of Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development; John Koskinen, Deputy Director, Management, OBM; Norma Paulus, Superintendent, Public Instruction, State of Oregon; Gary MacDougal, Chairman, Task Force on Human Services Reform, State of Illinois; and public witnesses.

MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Middle East Peace Process. Testimony was heard from Representatives Burton of Indiana, Gejdenson, Lantos, Engel, Saxton, Deutsch, and Forbes; Joe Kelley, Director, International Affairs, Division of National Security and International Affairs, GAO; and public witnesses.

IMMIGRATION IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Continued markup of H.R. 2202, Immigration in the National Interest Act of 1995. Rayburn.

Will continued tomorrow.

BUDGET RECONCILIATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee on National Security: Approved Budget Reconciliation recommendations.

ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 2275, Endangered Species Conservation and Management Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from George T. Frampton, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; Senator Drue Pearce, President, Senate, State of Alaska; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

STRATOSPHERIC OZONE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Stratospheric Ozone: Myths and Realities. Testimony was heard from Robert T. Watson, Associate Director, Environment, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Mary Nichols, Assistant Administrator, Air and Radiation, EPA; Daniel L. Albritton, Director, Aeronomy Laboratory, Environmental Research Laboratories, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Richard Setlow, Associate Director, Life Sciences, Brookhaven National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

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VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2353, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring authorities of the Department of Veterans Affairs relating to delivery of health and medical care; and H.R. 2289, Veterans Housing, Employment Programs, and Employment Rights Benefits Act of 1995.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Ways and Means: Approved the following motions: Reschedule the September 21st full Committee hearing on Saving Medicare to September 22nd; and a motion to go to conference on H.R. 4, Personal Responsibility Act of 1995.