

# Dems save FTC funds, rulemaking power

Here's how area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes Aug. 2-8.

## HOUSE

**FTC** — By a vote of 226 for and 193 against, the House approved a \$64.3 million budget for the Federal Trade Commission in fiscal 1985. This included the money in an appropriations bill, (HR 5172) that later was sent to the White House.

Opponents wanted to deny the consumer agency an appropriation so that they could seek to limit its rulemaking authority during the remedial budget process which would have become necessary to keep the FTC in operation.

Supporter James Florio, D-N.J., called the planned attack on the FTC's

rulemaking power an "assault on consumers."

Opponent Elliott Levitas, D-Ga., said Congress should exert closer budget scrutiny over an agency whose rules affecting commerce have the force of law.

Members voting no wanted to further restrict the FTC's authority to implement consumer rules. Observer & Eccentric area congressmen split along party lines.

Voting yes: Dennis Riehl, D-Harper Woods, William Ford, D-Taylor, Sander Levin, D-Southfield.

Voting no: Carl Persell, R-Plymouth, William Broomfield, R-Birmingham.

**SYNFUELS** — The House voted, 236 for and 177 against, to keep the Synthetic Fuels Corp. in operation at a

## roll call report

minimal funding level. The vote set \$5 billion rather than \$10 billion as the amount to be rescinded from the SFC's previously approved \$13.3 billion budget.

The \$10 billion cut would have crippled the agency's so-far fruitless effort to stimulate private-sector development of synthetic fuels. President Reagan and other critics of the embattled agency supported the \$10 billion cut.

The vote occurred during debate on HR 5973, which later was sent to the Senate.

Supporter Dick Durbin, D-Ill., said "a \$10 billion cut closes the door on the future of our national commitment to energy independence."

Opponent Richard Ottinger, D-N.Y., said "it is just a myth being perpetuated here that the synthetic fuels program has any relevance to energy security."

Members voting yes wanted to keep the Synthetic Fuels Corp. afloat.

Voting yes: Ford.

Voting no: Persell, Riehl, Levin and Broomfield.

**ENDOWMENT** — By a vote of 237 for and 181 against, the House approved an amendment to keep the National Endowment for Democracy in existence.

This reversed House action several weeks ago to kill the program. The vote occurred during debate on HR 5712, which later was sent to the White House.

Fiscal 1985 funding will be \$18.5 million, most of which will underwrite U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the AFL-CIO programs promoting American ideals overseas.

Supporter Robert Lagomarsino, R-Calif., said the endowment should appeal to "all those who criticize the Reagan Administration for relying only on military solutions to the problems of the world."

Opponent Richard Ottinger, D-N.Y., said the program "is the test of reasonable and accountable expenditure of taxpayers' funds."

Members voting yes supported the

National Endowment for Democracy. Voting yes: Persell, Riehl, Ford, Levin, Broomfield.

## SENATE

**EL SALVADOR** — The Senate rejected, 79 for and 69 against, an amendment to block additional military aid to El Salvador this fiscal year.

The vote reversed an \$80.3 million add-on to the \$137 million in Salvadoran aid already appropriated in fiscal 1984. It occurred during debate on HR 5640, later sent to President Reagan for his signature.

Opponent Senator Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, said the \$137 million already appropriated in all the Salvadoran government can prudently handle this fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30.

Opponent Bennett Johnston, D-La., called the \$80.3 million "very modest as compared to what it would be to pick up the pieces if the Salvadoreans

lost the war" against leftist rebels.

Further fiscal 1984 military aid to El Salvador, Michigan Democrats Carl Levin and Rosalind Pileggi voted yes.

**WILKINSON** — The Senate confirmed, 50 for and 39 against, the nomination of J. Harvie Wilkinson III as a judge on the Fourth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in Richmond, Va.

The nomination had been stalled for several months by Democrats, who called Wilkinson unqualified and objected to his lobbying the American Bar Association for its endorsement. A 39-year-old law professor, Wilkinson has virtually no courtroom experience. The ABA gave him its lowest possible level of recommendation for the lifetime judicial post.

Senators voting yes supported Wilkinson's nomination.

Michigan Democrats Levin and Pileggi voted no.

# Madonna sign up deadline

Aug. 20 is the final day to register for the fall term at Madonna College, 1-96 at Levan, Livonia.

Registration will be conducted in the Administration Building from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. that day. Prior to the final day, registration is conducted from 8 to 5.

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**CAMP COUNSELOR** — Experienced campers are needed as counselors for two camps in August. Greater Detroit Roundtable needs counselors for Anytown USA, Aug. 17-19 at Madonna. Metropolitan Society for Crippled Children and Adults needs counselors for Aug. 30-31 at the Salvation Army-Echo Grove Camp in Leonard. If qualified persons cannot reach bureau (543-7272), they should phone American USA at 846-4397, or the Leonard Camp at 881-4374.

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