## **Roll Call Report** Defense, immigration bills split parties

gress were recorded on major roll call votes Oct. 6-16.

## HOUSE

HOUSE DEFENSE BILL, – By a vote of 283 for and 128 against, the House approved the conference report on the fiscal 1967 Defense Department authorization bill (5 2350). Area cogressmen spills across party lines as the bill was adopted. The legislation continues Con-gress's efforts to slow the rate of ullitary spending growth in defer-ucete to the mounting national debt. It sets 1987 Tentagon budget au-thority at 2320 billion, ealy 44 billion blowe the comparable 1986 figure and about 430 billion below Presi-dent Reagant 51897 request. Actual explanations, approved by separate legislation, are expected to total 274 billion.

\$274 billion. Although House and Senate negoti-ators brought the budget authority in compliance with the 1987 congres-sional budget resolution, they used what critics saw as creative book-keeping to achieve the \$290 billion figure.

king to achieve the \$290 billion figure. For example, they moved the final military payday of liscal 1987 to 1980, shifting \$29 billion in spending to the next liscal year. Supporter Les Aspin, D-Wis, said the measure "is probably a very good bill." Opponent John Porter, R-III, said "someday we are going to have to understand that a sound economy is

## Exports taxed twice - Sperlich

"The U.S. tax system is "a boon to imports and a base for much-needed exports," said Harold K. Sperlich, president of Chrysler Molors. "The auto executivo warned that "America will never a bake to at tax "America will never a bake to at tax "the appendent to the Detroit Section of the Society of Automotive Engi-cers, Sperlither said, "One piece of the competitive foundation that end the society of Mulmotive Engi-ters overhaal that would allow us to fas imports their fair share, while sol over-taxing our own exports." "CARS BULLT in the U.S. contrib-

-CARS BUILT in the U.S. contrib-ule about \$2,300 each in U.S. taxes, Sperlich said, while imported cars sold in the U.S. pay only about \$1,000 cach

goods. "THERE'S NO way a nation col-lecting taxes almost solely on in-come, as we do, can really penetrate the market of a nation that imposes consumption taxes on most of its high-value manufactured goods." Speritch said. "In such a case, our exported products are, in effect, dou-ble-taxed." Socrifich said by 1991. "domestic

belocked." Sperick asid by 1991, "domestic share of the North American market could very well decline to an anemic Spercent, and excess capacity could soar to almost 7 million onitones "The trade deficit continues to rise like water in the hold of a sink-ing ship, Washington continues to ex-ercise its incredible ability to focus on the wrong Issues, and nobody scems to care," Sperilch said.

## Discounts spur autos, economy

In September, the Detroit Area Business Activity Index spuried up-ward by seven points reaching a level of 14 (, from 137 in August. "The sharp gain in September def-discount financing programs offered by the automaters in both August and September," said David Lit-mon, economist of Manufacturers Bank, which produces the index. "Interesting ye enough, the July to September increase in the Detroit Area Business Activity Juder this year was practically a mirror image of what transpired last year, be said.

of what transpired has year, he said. "This year's round of finance in-centives, helped lift the index 13 points, or 10 percent during the third quarter. In 1985, the same type pro-gram lifted the index 16 points, or 12 percent from the comparable peri-od."

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just as important lo our national se-curity as a strong military." Members voltag yes supported the bill. Voltag yes: Denais Hereld, D-Harper Woods, Sander Levin, D-Southfield, William Broomfield, R-Birmingham. Voltag no: Carl Parsell, R-Plym-outh, William Ford, D-Taylor.

outh, William Ford, D-Taylor. IMMIGRATION REFORM – By a vote of 238 for and 173 against, the House approved the conference re-port on a bill that attempts to stem the flow of lifegal alters into this country while safeguarding the rights of the millions of forcigners were lifegally. The immigration reform measure (HR 38:0) is considered landmark legislation because it addresses on the astions most pressing pro-lems and ends years of congressional of the rations most pressing pro-lems and ends years of congressional of the ration Resigns's expected signature.

Voting no: Pursell, Hertel, Broom field. TO LEGALIZE ALIENS - By a

The bill grants legal residency, and a chance at citizenship, to illegal allens who entered America before 1982, and to undocumented immi-grants who worked in American ag-riculture for at least 90 days in the year ending May 1, 1986.

To remove the economic incentive behind most illegal immigration, the bill imposes civil and criminal penalties against employers who knowingly hire undocumented workers. Supporter Bill McCollum, R-Fla., said the bill's amnesty section was too generous but he would "hold my nose and vote for this conference re-

port" because it combats "the inva-sion that's occurring across our land borders." Opponent Edward Roybal, D-Callir, denounced the bill as discrim-inatory to Hispanics and "designed to provide cheap labor for the farm-ers and growers of this country." Members voting yes supported the immigration bill. Voting yes: Ford, Levia.

TO LEGALIZE ALIENS -- By a vole of 192 for and 199 against, the flouse rejected an amendment eliminating a section of the immigration reform bill (above) that legalizes the residency of illegal allens who entered this country before 1982 and have lived here continously. These individuals are estimated to munter several million. After receiving annexity, they would have to wait its years before seeking clittenship. Aread, and annexity would ave to wait six years before seeking clittenship. Aread, and annexity would "legitimize millions of uncovicted criminals (and) reward them with the most treasured thing a human being on the face of this globe could have ... the path toward clitzenship of the U.S.A." Opponent Hamilton Fish, R-NY, said the annexity sector "will permit this population to come out of the shadows and contribute more to our country."

SENATE

PESTCIDE CONTROL - By a vote of 34 for and 45 against, the Senate failed to table (kill) an amendment allowing states to be stricter than the federal government in regulating the pestches content of food bound for market. Michigan Democrats Carl Levin and Denaid Riegle voted no, thus op-posing killing the bill.

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ference with the House, which has voted to deny states the power to ex-ceed federal pesticide standards. ... The bill updates and tightens the Federal Insecticide, Fungleide and: Rodenticide Act to make it a more. effective combatant against unsafe-nesticide incredients.

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