

the forest Conference earlier this year I saw the devastating effects of the Federal Government's lack of foresight and failure to provide leadership. Here, perhaps more than anywhere else, is a case study in how a failure to anticipate the consequences of our actions on the natural environment can be devastating to our livelihoods in the years ahead. Our forest plan is a balanced and comprehensive program to put people back to work and protect ancient forests and future generations. It will not solve all of the region's problems but it is a strong first step at restoring both the long-term health of the region's ecosystem and the regions economy.

Innovative Environmental Technologies—Environmental and health reforms such as EPA's common sense strategy and natural resource reforms such as the forest plan provide an opportunity, and an obligation, to make good decisions for today that continue to pay off for generations to come. In much the same way, sound investments in environmental technology can ensure that we leave to future generations a productive, livable world. Every innovation in environmental technology opens up a new expanse of economic and environmental possibilities, making it possible to accomplish goals that have eluded us in the past. From the very beginning, I have promoted innovative environmental technologies as a top priority. We've launched a series of environmental technology initiatives, issued a number of Executive orders to help spur the application of these technologies, and taken concrete steps to promote their export. Experts say the world market for environmental technology is nearly \$300 billion today and that it may double by the year 2000. Every dollar we invest in environmental technology will pay off in a healthier environment worldwide, in greater market share for U.S. companies, and in more jobs for American workers.

Innovations in environmental technology can be the bridge that carries us from the threat of greater health crises and ecological destruction toward the promise of greater economic prosperity and social well-being. Innovation by innovation, we can build a world transformed by human ingenuity and creativity—a world in which economic activity and the natural environment support and sustain one another.

This is the vision that Jackson, Muskie, and DINGELL articulated more than two decades ago when they wrote in the National Environmental Policy Act that we should strive to live in productive harmony with nature and seek to fulfill the social and economic needs of future generations. We share a common responsibility to see beyond the urgent pressures of today and think of the future. We share a common responsibility to speak for our children, so that they inherit a world filled with the same opportunity that we

had. This is the vision for which we work today and the guiding principle behind my Administration's environmental policies.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, April 6, 1995.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:43 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 889) making emergency supplemental appropriations and rescissions to preserve and enhance the military readiness of the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995, and for other purposes.

At 1:59 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1215. An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to strengthen the American family and create jobs.

At 5:27 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 244) to further the goals of the Paperwork Reduction Act to have Federal agencies become more responsible and publicly accountable for reducing the burden of Federal paperwork on the public, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 58. Concurrent Resolution providing for an adjournment of the two Houses.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 178. An Act to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to extend the authorization for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1215. An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to strengthen the American family and create jobs; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. McCAIN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 349. A bill to reauthorize appropriations for the Navajo-Hopi Relocation Housing Program (Rept. No. 104-29).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. SIMPSON, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs:

Dennis M. Duffy, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Policy and Planning).

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that he be confirmed, subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. HATFIELD (for himself, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. SIMON, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. INOUE, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. KERREY, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 684. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for programs of research regarding Parkinson's disease, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 685. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain lighthouses located in the State of Maine; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KYL (for himself and Mr. McCAIN):

S. 686. A bill to establish a commission to examine the costs and benefits, and the impact on voter turnout, of changing the deadline for filing Federal income tax returns to the date on which Federal elections are held; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 687. A bill to improve and strengthen child support enforcement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 688. A bill to provide for the minting and circulation of one-dollar silver coins; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 689. A bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act regarding the use of organic sorbents in landfills, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 690. A bill to amend the Federal Noxious Weed Act of 1974 and the Terminal Inspection Act to improve the exclusion, eradication, and control of noxious weeds and plants, plant products, plant pests, animals, and other organisms within and into the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SHELBY (for himself, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. INOUE, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. HEFLIN, and Mr. MACK):

S. 691. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage