

Weiss United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1262. An Act to authorize appropriations for the Securities and Exchange Commission for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 1476. An Act to settle certain Miccosukee Indian land takings claims within the State of Florida; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 2165. An Act to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 3862 in the State of Iowa, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2007. An Act to amend the Act that authorized the Canadian River reclamation project, Texas, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow use of the project distribution system to transport water from sources other than the project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2207. An Act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act concerning a proposal to construct a deep ocean outfall off the coast of Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 2233. An Act to assist in the conservation of coral reefs; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

The following concurrent resolutions were read and referred as indicated:

H.Con. Res. 137. Concurrent Resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives concerning the urgent need for an international criminal tribunal to try members of the Iraqi regime for crimes against humanity; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.Con. Res. 197. Concurrent Resolution calling for the resignation or removal from office of Sara E. Lister, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs; to the Committee on Armed Services.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following measures were read the second time and placed on the calendar:

S. 1530. A Bill to resolve ongoing tobacco litigation, to reform the civil justice system responsible for adjudicating tort claims against companies that manufacture tobacco products, and establish a national tobacco policy for the United States that will decrease youth tobacco use and reduce the marketing of tobacco products to young Americans.

H.R. 2709. An Act to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop, or produce ballistic missiles, and to implement the obligations of the United States under the Chemical Weapons Convention.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated.

EC-3282. A communication from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to rescissions for fiscal year 1996; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of Janu-

ary 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on Appropriations, and to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3283. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of fund transfers; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-3284. A communication from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a cost comparison at Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3285. A communication from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a cost comparison at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3286. A communication from the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Deep Digger program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3287. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3288. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning direct spending or receipts legislation within seven days of enactment, dated October 16, 1997; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3289. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning direct spending or receipts legislation within seven days of enactment, dated October 20, 1997; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3290. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3291. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3292. A communication from the Director of the Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Adjustment of Status to That of Person Admitted for Permanent Residence" (RIN1125-AA20) received on November 6, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3293. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Temporary Exemption From Chemical Registration for Distributors of Pseudoephedrine and Phenylpropanolamine Products" (RIN2900-AH72) received on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3294. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General (Office of Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Interim Guidance on Verification of Citizenship, Qualified Alien Status and Eligibility Under Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996" received on No-

vember 4, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3295. A communication from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a proposal to transfer an aircraft carrier; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3296. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Death of Appellant During Pendency of Appeal" (RIN2900-AI86) received on October 21, 1997; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3297. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Veterans and Reservist Education: Additional Educational Assistance While Serving the Selected Reserve" (RIN2900-AI79) received on October 24, 1997; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3298. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Veterans Education: Increase in Rates Payable Under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty" (RIN2900-AI90) received on October 28, 1997; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3299. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Grants to States for Construction or Acquisition of State Home Facilities" (RIN2900-AI84) received on November 24, 1997; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3300. A communication from the Acting General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "National Flood Insurance Program: Insurance Coverage and Rates" received on October 28, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3301. A communication from the Acting General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Disaster Assistance; Snow Assistance" received on October 21, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3302. A communication from the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Modernization of the Authorities of the Defense Production Act"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3303. A communication from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Treasury securities; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3304. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to China; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3305. A communication from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Treasury auctions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3306. A communication from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Risk-Based Capital Requirements"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3307. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, transmitting, pursuant to

law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3308. A communication from the Managing Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Restrictions on Advances to Non-Qualified Thrift Lenders" (RIN3069-AA60) received on October 24, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3309. A communication from the Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Flood Insurance Compliance"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3310. A communication from the Secretary of the Senate, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the receipts and expenditures of the Senate for the period April 1, 1997 through September 30, 1997; ordered to lie on the table.

EC-3311. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-160 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3312. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-161 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3313. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-163 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3314. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-164 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3315. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-166 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3316. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-167 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3317. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-168 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3318. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-169 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3319. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-170 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3320. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-171 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3321. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-172 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3322. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-176 adopted by the Council on October 7, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3323. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-177 adopted by the Council on October 7, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3324. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-180 adopted by the Council on October 7, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3325. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Audit of the District of Columbia's Public Library's Procurement and Financial Management Practices and the Library's Relationship with the District of Columbia Public Library Foundation"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3326. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Audit of ANC 6C Covering the Period October 1, 1993 through December 31, 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3327. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Bahamas; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3328. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Presidential Determination 97-36 on the Export-Import Loan to China for Shanghai Metro; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3329. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Deposits" (RIN 1550-AB00, 1557-AB14, 3064-AB57, 1550-AB11) received on October 17, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3330. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the availability of credit to small business; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3331. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Regulation D" received on October 31, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3332. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Rules Regarding Availability of Information" received on November 12, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3333. A communication from the Deputy Director, US&FCS/Russia-NIS Program Office, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Cooperative Agreement Program for an American Business Center in Russia" received on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3334. A communication from the Regulatory Policy Officer, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Removal of Restrictions on Importation of Defense Articles" (RIN1512-AB62) received on November 6, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3335. A communication from the Chairman of the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3336. A communication from the Director of the International Labor Organization, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports entitled "Program and Budget for 1998-99 (Summary and Analysis)" and "The ILO and Global Change: 1990-97"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3337. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the American Institute in Taiwan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3338. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3339. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3340. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the United Nations agencies and affiliated agencies; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3341. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of thirty-one notices of proposed issuances of export licenses; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3342. A communication from the Director of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Census Tract Program for Census 2000" received on October 21, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3343. A communication from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the list of General Accounting Office reports and testimony for September 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3344. A communication from the Director of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (Administration and Management), transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "The Privacy Program" received on October 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3345. A communication from the Federal Acquisitions Regulation Secretariat, Office of Governmentwide Policy, U.S. General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule, a rule entitled "Alternative Dispute Resolution" (RIN9000-AH72) received on November 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3346. A communication from the Director of Commissioned Personnel, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps Retirement System; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3347. A communication from the Acting Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Fellowship and Similar Appointments in the Excepted Service" (RIN3206-AH91) received on October 28, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3348. A communication from the Acting Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, a draft bill of proposed legislation entitled "Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Improvement Act

of 1997"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3349. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the internal controls and financial systems in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3350. A communication from the Executive Director, Committee for Purchase From People Who are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to additions to the procurement list, received on November 12, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3351. A communication from the Executive Director, Committee for Purchase From People Who are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to additions to the procurement list, received on October 21, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3352. A communication from the Chairman of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the internal controls and financial systems in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3353. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3354. A communication from the Office of the Independent Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on audit and investigative activities for the period ending September 30, 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

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EC-3356. A communication from the Independent Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls for the period March 1997 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3357. A communication from the Independent Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls for the period March 1997 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3358. A communication from the Office of Special Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3359. A communication from the Deputy Independent Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Inspector General Act on audit and investigative activities during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3360. A communication from the Executive Director of the Marine Mammal Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report of the Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3361. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Office of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3362. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual re-

port on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3363. A communication from the Regulatory Policy Official, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule entitled "Transfer of Electronic Records to the National Archives" (RIN3095-AA70), received on October 23, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3364. A communication from the Director of the National Gallery of Art, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3365. A communication from the Executive Director of the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3366. A communication from the Chairman of the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3367. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3368. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3369. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3370. A communication from the Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3371. A communication from the Chair of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 to 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3372. A communication from the Executive Director of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3373. A communication from the Executive Director of the Japan-United States Friendship Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1996 and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3374. A communication from the Board Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report

under the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act (PFCRA); to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3375. A communication from the Executive Director of the United States Arctic Research Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Inspector General and Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Acts for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3376. A communication from the Chair of the U.S. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3377. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3378. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer of the U.S. Enrichment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3379. A communication from the Executive Director of the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Inspector General and Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Acts for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3380. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General and the Federal Managers' Financial Act (FMFIA) for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3381. A communication from the Acting Director of the Woodrow Wilson Center, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect and the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3382. A communication from the General Sales Manager and Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule governing the financing of commercial sales of agricultural commodities received on October 22, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3383. A communication from the Administrator of the Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Amendment to the Production Flexibility Contract Regulations" (RIN0560-AF25) received on October 21, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3384. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Tart Cherries Grown in the States of Michigan" received on October 24, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3385. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Food and Consumer Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Commodity Supplemental Food Program-Caseload Assignment" (RIN0584-AC60) received on October 28, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3386. A communication from the Acting Chief Financial Officer, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3387. A communication from the Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules including a rule entitled "General Crop Insurance Regulations"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3388. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules including a rule entitled "Mediterranean Fruit Fly"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3389. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules including a rule entitled "Walnuts Grown in California"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3390. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior (Land and Minerals Management), transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Patent Preparation and Issuance" (RIN1004-AC88) received on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3391. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Regulations for the Licensing of Hydroelectric Projects" received on October 30, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3392. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report of the Metals Initiative for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3393. A communication from the Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Emissions of Greenhouse Gases in the United States 1996"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3394. A communication from the Director of the Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Natural Gas Resource Management Program: Cumulative Effects 1992-94"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3395. A communication from the Director of the Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Indiana Regulatory Program"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3396. A communication from the Director of the Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules including a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products" (RIN1904-AA38, AA52); to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3397. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Revenue Procedures 97-49 through 97-53; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3398. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Notices 97-56, 58-60, 63, 64, 66; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3399. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Revenue Rulings 97-44, 47; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3400. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Announcements 97-111, 114; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3401. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of three actions on decisions received on November 5, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3402. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a Treasury regulation entitled "Tax Treatment of Cafeteria Plans" (RIN1545-AV43) received on November 6, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3403. A communication from the Regulatory Policy Officer of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Mendocino Ridge Viticultural Area (95R-017P)" (RIN1512-AA07) received on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3404. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Anticounterfeiting Consumer Protection Act" (RIN1515-AC10) received on November 12, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3405. A communication from the General Council of the Department of the Treasury, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Savings Bond Simplification Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3406. A communication from the U.S. Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to modify the marking of certain silk products and containers; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3407. A communication from the Deputy Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Medicare Program" (RIN0938-AG03) received November 3, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3408. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Medicare Program" (RIN0938-AI16) received on October 30, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3409. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Miscellaneous Educational Revisions" (RIN2900-AI69) received on October 28, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3410. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Education (Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services), transmitting, a report relative to persons with disabilities; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3411. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "To Assure the Free Appropriate Public Education of All Children With Disabilities"; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3412. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Unemployment Insurance Program Letter Nos. 41-97 and 44-97"; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3413. A communication from the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans" (RIN1212-AA82) received on November 12, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3414. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules including a rule entitled "National Awards Program for Model Professional Development" (RIN1850-ZA02, AA52) received on November 12, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3415. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment Standards, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Longshore Act Civil Money Penalties Adjustment" (RIN1215-AB17); to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3416. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, four rules including a rule entitled "Quality Mammography Standards" (RIN0910-AA24, AA93, AA59); to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3417. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on family planning for fiscal years 1994 and 1995; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3418. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Metropolitan Area Treatment Enhancement System for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3419. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Mammography Quality Standards (RIN0910-AA24) received on November 13, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3420. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Deceptive Use of Leakproof" received on November 17, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3421. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on ombudsman activities with the New Independent States for the period July 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3422. A communication from the Office of the Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Federal, State, and Local Transportation Financial Statistics: Fiscal Years 1982-94"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3423. A communication from the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on civil aviation security for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3424. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the administration of the Marine Mammal Protection Act" for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3425. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the budget; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3426. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3427. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3428. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3429. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3430. A communication from the Principal Deputy (Acquisition and Technology), Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the selected acquisition reports for the period July 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3431. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3432. A communication from the Associate Managing Director for Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, sixteen rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3433. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, 191 rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3434. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit of the Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, Revenue Ruling 97-45 received on November 17, 1996; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3435. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit of the Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, Revenue Ruling 97-46 received on November 17, 1996; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3436. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit of the Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, Revenue Notice 97-67 received on November 17, 1996; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3437. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit of the Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, Revenue Notice 97-68 received on November 17, 1996; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3438. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on November 17, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3439. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the notice of determination and certification relative to antiterrorism; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3440. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3441. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission, transmitting, a draft to proposed legislation to provide authorization of appropriations for the United States International Trade Commission for fiscal year 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3442. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the transmittal of the certification of proposed issuance of an export license; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3443. A communication from the Independent Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls for the period October 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3444. A communication from the Office of Independent Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period ending September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3445. A communication from the Acting Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Reduction in Force Performance Management" (RIN3206-AH32) received on November 17, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3446. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3447. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Statistical Programs of the U.S. Government: Fiscal Year 1998"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3448. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administration, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Implementation of the Comprehensive Methamphetamine Control Act of 1996; Possess of List I Chemicals, Definitions, Record Retention, and Temporary Exemption From Chemical Registration for Distributors of Combination Ephedrine Products" (RIN1117-AA42) received on November 17, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3449. A communication from the President of the National Safety Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the combined financial statements for the fiscal years ended on June 30, 1997 and 1996; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3450. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to the law, a report relative to mixed waste; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3451. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a prospectus; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3452. A communication from the Director of the Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products" (RIN1904-AA93) received on October 21, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3453. A communication from the Director of the Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

rule entitled "Illinois Regulatory Program" received on October 21, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3454. A communication from the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the biennial report on the Flood Insurance Compliance Program for calendar years 1996 and 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3455. A communication from the Acting General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including one rule entitled "Snow Load Map for Manufactured Homes" received on November 17, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3456. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Import/Export User Fees" received on November 17, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3457. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule relative to importation of pork products received on November 17, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3458. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule relative to quarantine regulations received on November 14, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3459. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management Policy), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report concerning institutions of higher education that have been deemed ineligible for certain federal funding; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3460. A communication from the Director of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (Administration and Management), transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "DoD Freedom of Information Act Program" received on November 17, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3461. A communication from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice to award a contract with options covering a nine year period; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3462. A communication from the Chief, Programs and Legislative Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a cost comparison study relative to Elmendorf Air Force Base (AFB), Alaska; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3463. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3464. A communication from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the list of General Accounting Office reports and testimony for October 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3465. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3466. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to accounts containing unvouchered expenditures; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3467. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3468. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, Office of Governmentwide Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, fifteen rules including a rule entitled "Travel Reimbursement" (RIN9000-AH77, AH75, AG87, AH24, AH80, AH79, AH50, AH37, AH76, AH81, AH18, AH78, AH74) received on December 2, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3469. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3470. A communication from the Attorney General, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3471. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3472. A communication from the Director of the United States Information Agency, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3473. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the management report on management decisions and final actions of the Office of the Inspector General audit recommendations for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3474. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3475. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3476. A communication from the Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3477. A communication from the Chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3478. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3479. A communication from the Executive Officer of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar years 1995 and 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3480. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3481. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1, 1997 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3482. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3483. A communication from the Office of the Public Printer, U.S. Government Printing Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3484. A communication from the Chairman of the International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Inspector General Act for the period of April 1, 1997 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3485. A communication from the Regulatory Policy Official, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule entitled "Prices and Availability of Federal Register, Acceptance of Digital Signatures" received on December 2, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3486. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3487. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Student Educational Program" (RIN3206-AH82) received on December 3, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3488. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3489. A communication from the Acting Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, a draft bill of proposed legislation to provide for the correction of retirement coverage errors; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3490. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to cost-of-living allowance (RIN3206-AH51) received on December 3, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3491. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, United States Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report for the period ending September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3492. A communication from the Chairman of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3493. A communication from the Board Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, a draft bill of proposed legislation to make permanent the exemption of certain trust funds; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3494. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3495. A communication from the Commissioner of the Office of Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the accountability report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3496. A communication from the President of the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence In Education Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3497. A communication from the Executive Secretary of the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence In Education Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3498. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Corporation For Public Broadcasting, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3499. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3500. A communication from the Chairman of the National Endowment For the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3501. A communication from the Chairman of the National Endowment For the Humanities, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3502. A communication from the Chairman of the National Science Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3503. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997 and the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3504. A communication from the Chairman of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997 and the report

of the Office of Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3505. A communication from the Executive Director of the State Justice Institute, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997 and the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3506. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Evaluation of the Accounts and Operation of the Office of Tourism and Promotions for Fiscal Years 1996 and 1997; the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3507. A communication from the Chief of the Regulation Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a Treasury regulations received on January 27, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3508. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the OMB Final Sequestration Report for fiscal year 1998; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on Appropriations, to the Committee on the Budget, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to the Committee on Armed Services, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, to the Committee on Finance, to the Committee on Foreign Relations, to the Committee on Governmental Affairs, to the Committee on the Judiciary, to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources, the Committee on Small Business, to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to the Committee on Indian Affairs, and to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-3509. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting" (RIN1018-AB80) received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3510. A communication from the Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to highway construction; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3511. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a prospectus; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3512. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the nondisclosure of safeguards information for the period July 1, 1997 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3513. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules including a rule entitled "Perimeter Intrusion Alarm Systems"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3514. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 17, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3515. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 30, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3516. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 30, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3517. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3518. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on December 9, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3519. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice relative to an emergency; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3520. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to navigation improvements at Miami Harbor, Florida; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3521. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a hurricane and storm damage reduction project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3522. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a flood damage reduction project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3523. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a storm damage reduction and shoreline protection project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3524. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Lake Worth Inlet, Palm Beach Harbor, Florida; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3525. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a deep-draft navigation project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3526. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 22, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3527. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 17, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3528. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 17, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3529. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, five rules received on October 21, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3530. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3531. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules received on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3532. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, seven rules received on November 6, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3533. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on November 7, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3534. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules received on November 12, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3535. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on November 13, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3536. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on November 19, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3537. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, thirteen rules received on November 21, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3538. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3539. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, eight rules received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3540. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, four rules received on December 2, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3541. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, eight rules received on December 4, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3542. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules received on December 5, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3543. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules received on December 5, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3544. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on December 10, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3545. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules received on December 10, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3546. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the budget request for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-3547. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on direct spending or receipts legislation within seven days of enactment dated November 21, 1997; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3548. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3549. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on direct spending or receipts legislation within seven days of enactment dated December 1, 1997; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3550. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on direct spending or receipts legislation within seven days of enactment dated December 4, 1997; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3551. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on direct spending or receipts legislation within seven days of enactment dated November 21, 1997; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3552. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, seven rules including a rule entitled "Loan Guaranty: Electronic Payment of Funding Fee"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3553. A communication from the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, four rules; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3554. A communication from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on December 9, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3555. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of calendar

year 1996 Forensic DNA Laboratory Improvement Program grant awards; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3556. A communication from the Director of the Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on accomplishments for fiscal years 1995 and 1996; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3557. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Loan Policies and Operations" (RIN3052-AB78) received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3558. A communication from the Administrator of the Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "1997-Crop Peanuts" (RIN0560-AF01) received on November 19, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3559. A communication from the Administrator of the Risk Management Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Pea Crop Insurance Regulations" received on December 2, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3560. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Winter Pears Grown in Oregon, Washington, and California" received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3561. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Raisins Produced From Grapes Grown in and California" received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3562. A communication from the Congressional Review A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, nine rules; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3563. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the notice of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3564. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice relative to the report on Reserve retirement initiatives; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3565. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management Policy), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of determinations relative to institutions of higher education; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3566. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement (Acquisition and Technology), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3567. A communication from the Chief of the Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the initiation of a cost comparison; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3568. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on payment of restructuring costs under defense contracts for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3569. A communication from Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Program Integration, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Military Retirement System for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3570. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management Policy), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Rewarding, Organizing, and Managing People for the 21st Century, Time for a Strategic Approach"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3571. A communication from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Assessment of Fees" (RIN1557-AB41) received on December 3, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3572. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Russia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3573. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on November 19, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3574. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment" (RIN1550-AB01) received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3575. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Liquidity" (RIN1550-AA77) received on November 18, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3576. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3577. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the national emergency with respect to Serbia and Montenegro; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3578. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the national emergency with respect to Burma; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3579. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, Urban Affairs.

EC-3580. A communication from the Deputy Congressional Liaison, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, Urban Affairs.

EC-3581. A communication from the Legal Counsel of the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, four rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3582. A communication from the Secretary of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law,

two rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3583. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Worker Adjustment Assistant Training Funds; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3584. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Welfare-to-Work Grants" (RIN1205-AB15) received on November 21, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3585. A communication from the Chief of Staff of Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Definition of United States Resident" (RIN0960-AE05) received November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3586. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to telemedicine services; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3587. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning emigration laws; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3588. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report the operation of the Andean Trade Preference Act; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3589. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, Notices 97-62, 65, 69, 73; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3590. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, Revenue Rulings 97-48, 49, 51, 53; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3591. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, Announcements 97-120, 122; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3592. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, two Treasury regulations; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3593. A communication from the Assistant Commissioner (Examination), Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on December 5, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3594. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State for Legislative Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the notice of the proposed issuance of an export license; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3595. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State for Legislative Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the notice of a military justification; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3596. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State for Legislative Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3597. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Agency For International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Denton Program for the period July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3598. A communication from the Executive Director of the Japan-United States Friendship Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3599. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3600. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the prevention of nuclear proliferation for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3601. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act for the period July 1 through December 31, 1996; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3602. A communication from the Chief of the Regulation Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a Treasury regulation received on January 27, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3603. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Minerals Management Service" (RIN1010-AC06, 1004-AC91); to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3604. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Safety Belt Use Within the NPS System" (RIN1024-AC63) received on December 8, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3605. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3606. A communication from the Director of the Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Implementation of the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996" (RIN1029-AB90) received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3607. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the status of Exxon and stripper well oil overcharge funds for the period January 1 through March 31, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3608. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on low-level radioactive waste management program for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3609. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Clean Coal Technology Demonstration Program for the period January 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3610. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on December 2, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3611. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Water and Science, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Adjusted 1988 Newlands Project Operating Criteria and Procedures"

(RIN1006-AA37) received on December 11, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3612. A communication from the Co-Chairs of the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the final report of the Commission; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-3613. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January through September 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3614. A communication from the Navy Wives Clubs of America National Treasurer, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the audit of the NWCA for the period September 1, 1996 through August 31, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3615. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on direct spending or receipts legislation within seven days of enactment dated December 4, 1997; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3616. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on direct spending or receipts legislation within seven days of enactment dated December 10, 1997; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3617. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3618. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the rule entitled "Loan Policies and Operations" (RIN3052-AB81) received on December 15, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3619. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Application Processing" (RIN1550-AA83) received on December 18, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3620. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on a national emergency; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3621. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the executive order prohibiting certain transactions with respect to UNITA; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3622. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a statement of justification; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3623. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3624. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Rewards Program Participants; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3625. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Indonesia;

to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3626. A communication from the Managing Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Authority to Approve Federal Home Loan Bank Bylaws" (RIN3069-AA70) received on December 29, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3627. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 93-33; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-3628. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3629. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning direct spending or receipts legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3630. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Active Military Service Certified Under Section 401 of Public Law 95-202 (RIN2900-AI91) received on January 5, 1998; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3631. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1998 through 2003; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3632. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the National Institute of Justice for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3633. A communication from the Chairperson of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled, "Racial and Ethnic Tension in American Communities: Poverty, Inequality, and Discrimination"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3634. A communication from the Acting Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3635. A communication from the Clerk of the United States Court of Federal Claims, transmitting, pursuant to law, the court's report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3636. A communication from the Director of the Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3637. A communication from the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the High Plains States Groundwater Demonstration Program; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3638. A communication from the Director of the Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on December 17, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3639. A communication from the Administrator of the Energy Information Ad-

ministration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Energy Outlook 1998"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3640. A communication from the Freedom of Information Act Administrator, Office of the General Counsel, Legal Services Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3641. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3642. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Minimum Income Annuity" (RIN2900-AI83) received January 8, 1998; to the Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3643. A communication from the Manager of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules including a rule entitled "Sweet Corn Insurance Regulations" received on January 5, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3644. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of four rules; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3645. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Karnal Bunt" (RIN0579-AA83) received on January 8, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3646. A communication from the Administrator of the Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Rural Rental Housing Assistance" (RIN0575-AC15) received on December 29, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3647. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the rule entitled "Royalty Relief for New Leases in Deep Water" (RIN1010-AC14) received on January 9, 1998; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3648. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 9, 1998; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3649. A communication from the Director of the Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Mississippi Regulatory Program" received on January 7, 1998; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3650. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Endangered Status for Brother's Inland Tuatara" (RIN1018-AD06) received on January 5, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3651. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants" (RIN1018-AD07) received on January 9, 1998; to the

Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3652. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Surface Transportation Research and Development Plan; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3653. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Nuclear Fuel Cycle Facility Accident Analysis Handbook" received on January 8, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3654. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a deep-draft navigation project Charleston Harbor, South Carolina; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3655. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an environmental restoration project for the Lower Savannah River, Georgia and South Carolina; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3656. A communication from the Acting Assistant of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a flood damage reduction project for the Blue River Basin at the Dodson Industrial District, Kansas City, Missouri; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3657. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the status of the Hazardous Air Pollutant Program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3658. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Superfund Innovative Technology Evaluation Program"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3659. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the mercury study; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3660. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, five rules received on December 12, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3661. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, nineteen rules received on December 12, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3662. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on December 17, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3663. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on December 18, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3664. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules received on December 18, 1997;

to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3665. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, seven rules received on December 22, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3666. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules received on December 29, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3667. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on January 5, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3668. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 7, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3669. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules received on January 7, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3670. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, fifteen rules received on January 7, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3671. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules received on January 7, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3672. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules received on January 8, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3673. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3674. A communication from the Director of the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Amendments to the Bank Secrecy Act Regulations Regarding Reporting and Recordkeeping by Card Clubs" (RIN1506-AA18) received on January 7, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3675. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on January 7, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3676. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice relative to the continuation of the Libyan Emergency; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3677. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to

law, a rule entitled "Risk-Based Capital Standards" received on December 22, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3678. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the U.S. government for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3679. A communication from the Director of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (Administration and Management), transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on December 29, 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3680. A communication from the Acting Director of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice relative to a cost comparison study of the DOD Civilian Payroll functions; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3681. A communication from the Acting Director of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice relative to a cost comparison study of the DOD Retired and Annuitant Payroll functions; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3682. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a determination to combine multiple depot-level maintenance and repair workloads; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3683. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3684. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Acquisition Workforce Reductions"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3685. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 1, Elk Hills, in California; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3686. A communication from the Director of the Washington Headquarters Services, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on December 29, 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3687. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a Presidential Determination relative to Albania, Kazakstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3688. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the emigration laws and policies of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, the Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3689. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the trade and employment effects of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3690. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the trade and employment effects of the Andean Trade Preference Act; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3691. A communication from the National Director, Tax Forms and Publications Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on December 12, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3692. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, trans-

mitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 8, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3693. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Monitoring the Impact of Medicare Physician Payment Reform on Utilization and Access"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3694. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 8, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3695. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3696. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Notices 97-74, 77, 98-1 through 98-7; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3697. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports thirteen Treasury regulations; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3698. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports three actions on decisions received on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3699. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Empowerment Zone Employment Credit" received on December 30, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3700. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of three rules received on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3701. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Revenue Rulings 97:55-57, 98:1, 98:4; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3702. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Revenue Procedures 97:55, 57, 98:1-10, 98:13; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3703. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on December 3, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3704. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to the budget; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3705. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the study of the contribution of bycatch to charitable organizations; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3706. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the Telecommunications and Information Infrastructure Assistance Program; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3707. A communication from the Director of the Program Office of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Advanced Technology Program; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3708. A communication from the Director of the Bureau of Economic Analysis, Economics and Statistics Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules concerning surveys of international transactions in services; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3709. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Task Force On Assistance To Families of Aviation Disasters"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3710. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "High-Speed Ground Transportation For America"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3711. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice on the enforcement policy statement on U.S. origin claims; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3712. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the appliance labeling rule received on January 5, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3713. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on individual reference services; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3714. A communication from the AMD-Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, eleven rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3715. A communication from the National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 5, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3716. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on November 21, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3717. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of six rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3718. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of fifteen rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3719. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of four rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3720. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Depart-

ment of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of nine rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3721. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of 191 rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3722. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-190 adopted by the Council on September 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3723. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-191 adopted by the Council on October 7, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3724. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-198 adopted by the Council on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3725. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-199 adopted by the Council on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3726. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-200 adopted by the Council on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3727. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-204 adopted by the Council on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3728. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-205 adopted by the Council on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3729. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-209 adopted by the Council on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3730. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-210 adopted by the Council on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3731. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-211 adopted by the Council on November 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3732. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3733. A communication from the Chairman and General Counsel of the U.S. National Labor Relations Board, transmitting jointly, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3734. A communication from the Chairman of the Postal Rate Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and fi-

ancial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3735. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3736. A communication from the Chairperson of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3737. A communication from the Acting Chairman of the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3738. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3739. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3740. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3741. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3742. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3743. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3744. A communication from the Senior Deputy Chairman of the National Endowment For the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3745. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3746. A communication from the Chair of the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3747. A communication from the Director of the Policy and Communications Staff,

National Archives at College Park, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3748. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3749. A communication from the Chairman of the National Mediation Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3750. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3751. A communication from the Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3752. A communication from the Chair of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3753. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3754. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Information Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3755. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3756. A communication from the Attorney General, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3757. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3758. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3759. A communication from the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3760. A communication from the Chairman of the Railroad Retirement Board,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3761. A communication from the Inspector General of the U.S. Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3762. A communication from the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation For National Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3763. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3764. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3765. A communication from the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3766. A communication from the Federal Co-Chairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3767. A communication from the Inspector General of the U.S. General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3768. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Office of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3769. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission of Fine Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3770. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3771. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3772. A communication from the President of the U.S. Institute of Peace, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual reports on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997 and under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3773. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual reports on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997 and under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3774. A communication from the Director of the Morris K. Udall Foundation Scholarship and Excellence In National Environmental Policy Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual reports on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997 and under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3775. A communication from the Secretary of the American Battle Monuments Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual reports on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997 and under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3776. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3777. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3778. A communication from the Director of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Block Group Program for Census 2000" received on January 5, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3779. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, the President's Pay Agent, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to locality-based comparability payments; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3780. A communication from the Director of the Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, an aggregate report on personnel for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3781. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of additions to the Procurement List; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3782. A communication from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the list of reports, testimony, correspondence, and other publications for November 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3783. A communication from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Internal Revenue Service; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3784. A communication from the General Manager of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3785. A communication from the Chairman of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance

Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of management reform plans; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3786. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of seven rules; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3787. A communication from the Director of the Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Impact of the Compacts of Free Association on the United States Territories and Commonwealths and on the State of Hawaii"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3788. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3789. A communication from the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule relative to business persons received on January 12, 1998; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3790. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3791. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3792. A communication from the Chairperson of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Equal Educational Opportunity and Nondiscrimination for Students with Limited English Proficiency"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3793. A communication from the Chief Administrative Officer of the Postal Rate Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3794. A communication from the Director of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Establishing New Research Data Centers (RDC)" received on January 15, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3795. A communication from the Director of Selective Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3796. A communication from the Secretary of the Postal Rate Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3797. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Federal Advisory Committee Act and the Negotiated Rulemaking Act; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3798. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3799. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Manage-

ment, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule relative to agency relationships (RIN3206-AH72) received on January 15, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3800. A communication from the Board Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3801. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the internal controls and financial systems in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3802. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on internal controls and financial systems in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3803. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3804. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Federal Employees Clean Air Act; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3805. A communication from the Independent Counsel, Office of the Independent Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for the period ending September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3806. A communication from the Deputy Financial Officer of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3807. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of additions to the Procurement List; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3808. A communication from the Director of the Peace Corps, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the internal controls and financial systems in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3809. A communication from the Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3810. A communication from the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the internal controls and financial systems in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3811. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, United States Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3812. A communication from the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3813. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursu-

ant to law, the report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3814. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3815. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of approval for a personnel management demonstration project for the Department of the Navy; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3816. A communication from the Executive Director of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "District of Columbia Public Schools Performance Audit: Fiscal Year 1997 Capital Improvement Program Procurement Process"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3817. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-224 adopted by the Council on December 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3818. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-223 adopted by the Council on December 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3819. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-219 adopted by the Council on December 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3820. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-194 adopted by the Council on December 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3821. A communication from the Public Printer, U.S. Government Printing Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the status of GPO access; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-3822. A communication from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on unauthorized appropriations and expiring authorizations; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-3823. A communication from the Acting Director of the Indian Arts and Crafts Board, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Protection for Products of Indian Art and Craftsmanship" (RIN1090-AA45) received on January 15, 1998; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3824. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on contract support cost funding in Indian self-termination contracts and compacts; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3825. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report that a reward had been paid pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2708; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3826. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on negative security assurances; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3827. A communication from the Director of the Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Records Maintained on Individuals (Privacy Act)" (RIN1901-AA62) received on January 21, 1998;

to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3828. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer of the Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Federal Timber Contract Payment Modification" (RIN1004-AC69) received on January 12, 1998; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3829. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior (Land and Minerals Management), transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Multiple Use, Mining" (RIN1004-AD05) received on December 10, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3830. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Niobrara National Scenic River; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3831. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report from foreign entities for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3832. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Future Years Defense Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3833. A communication from the Chief of the Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a cost comparison of libraries at F.E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyoming; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3834. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the strategic overview of the Navy's commercial activity studies; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3835. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, a report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3836. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the National Defense Stockpile; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3837. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3838. A communication from the Director of the National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the internal controls and financial systems in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3839. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3840. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on outreach to gulf war veterans; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

EC-3841. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3842. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3843. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a Presidential Determination relative to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3844. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a determination relative to the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3845. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3846. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to U.S. nationals and the government of North Korea, received on December 4, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3847. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule regarding international traffic in arms regulations, received on December 8, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3848. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule regarding issuance of immigrant visas, received on January 5, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3849. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Grape Grown in a Designated Area of Southeastern California; Temporary Suspension of Continuing Assessment Rate" received on January 9, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3850. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to tart cherries, received on January 9, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3851. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, and tangelos grown in Florida received on January 9, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3852. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to onions grown in South Texas received on January 9, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3853. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to grapes grown in a designated area of southeastern California received on January 9, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3854. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to tomatoes grown in Florida and imported tomatoes received on January 9, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3855. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to

law, a rule relative to the importation of ruminants, meat, and meat products received on January 9, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3856. A communication from the Manager of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Risk Management Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to hybrid seed corn received on January 9, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3857. A communication from the Manager of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Risk Management Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to the availability of information to the public received on January 9, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3858. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a certification regarding the incidental capture of sea turtles; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3859. A communication from the Director for Executive Budgeting and Assistance Management, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Financial Assistance for Internship Program for Postsecondary Students" received on December 11, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3860. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on tar, nicotine, and carbon monoxide of the smoke of 1249 varieties of domestic cigarettes for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3861. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 8, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3862. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 15, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3863. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 15, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3864. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3865. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on January 12, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3866. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, six rules received on January 13, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3867. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, fifteen rules received on Transportation.

EC-3868. A communication from the AMD (Performance Evaluation and Records Management), Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, four

rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3869. A communication from the Secretary of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3870. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3871. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the notice of the continuation of the emergency regarding terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3872. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the national emergency with respect to Libya; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3873. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on a transaction involving U.S. exports to the People's Republic of China (China); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3874. A communication from the Managing Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Membership Eligibility" (RIN3069-AA66) received on January 21, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3875. A communication from the Acting Director of the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 21, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3876. A communication from the Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report regarding the National Flood Insurance Program; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3877. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Securities Credit Transactions" received on January 9, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3878. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3879. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning emigration laws and policies of Mongolia; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3880. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, initiative for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3881. A communication from the Assistant Commissioner (Examination), Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on January 12, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3882. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services (Administration For Children and Families), transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on December 10, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3883. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on data processing; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3884. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3885. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Revenue Procedures 98: 11, 12, 14-16; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3886. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of three regulations; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3887. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Revenue Rulings 98: 3, 6-8; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3888. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3889. A communication from the Administration of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "The Incidence and Severity of Sediment Contamination in Surface Waters of the United States"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3890. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including one entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans" received on January 13, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3891. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Consolidation of Certain Food and Feed Additive Tolerance Regulations" received on January 13, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3892. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, Incorporated by Approved State Hazardous Waste Program for Florida" received on January 15, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3893. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri" received on January 15, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3894. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including one entitled "Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; Final Approval of State Underground Storage Tank Program" received on January 16, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3895. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, one rule entitled "Significant Uses of Certain Chemical and Public Works.

EC-3896. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization

Act of 1986 (SARA) for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on the Environment and Public Works.

EC-3897. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Blair County, Pennsylvania, demonstration project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3898. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule regarding Freedom of Information Act Amendments (RIN3150-AF78) received on January 7, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3899. A communication from the Director of the Office of pursuant to law, a rule relative to deliberate misconduct by unlicensed persons (RIN3150-AF35) received on January 22, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3900. A communication from the Executive Secretary of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3901. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3902. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the American Red Cross; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3903. A communication from the Chief Executive Officer of the annual report for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3904. A communication from the President of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3905. A communication from the Chairman of the Commission On Dietary Supplement Labels, transmitting, pursuant to law, the final report of the Commission; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3906. A communication from the Acting Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Federal Sector Report on EEO Complaints and Appeals" for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3907. A communication from the Acting Director of Communications transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the employment of minorities, women and people with disabilities in the Federal government; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3908. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the final performance report regarding the Prescription Drug User Fee Act of 1992; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3909. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Council on Alzheimer's Disease for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3910. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Safety of Imported Food Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Labor and Human

Resources. Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the results of the evaluations of the 100-Hour Rule Waivers in California, Utah and Wisconsin; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3912. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the implementation of the Age Discrimination Act for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3913. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the National Health Service Corps for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3914. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on assistance to persons with developmental disabilities for fiscal year 1995; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3915. Pension and Welfare Benefits, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3916. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Respiratory Protection" (RIN1218-AA05) received on January 5, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3917. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy in Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health & Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, seventeen rules including one rule with respect to carcinogenicity testing of compounds used in food-producing animals; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3918. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report concerning surplus Federal real property; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3919. Fellowship Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, an interim report relative to modifications to the program; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3920. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations in the Office of the General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule regarding 21st Century Learning Centers Program (RIN1850-ZA01) received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3921. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations in the Office of the General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule regarding Federal Work-Study Programs (RIN1840-AC50) received on November 25, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3922. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations in the Office of the General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule regarding protection of human Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3923. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations in the Office of the General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule regarding relief from regulatory provisions for student assistance received on January 15, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3924. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations in the Office of the General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule regarding the Federal Family Education

Loan and William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Programs (RIN1840-AC45) received on December 15, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3925. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations in the Office of the General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Student Assistance General Provisions: Standards of Financial Responsibility" (RIN1840-AC36) received

EC-3926. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment Standards, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3927. A communication from the Assistant of Labor for Mine Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3928. A communication from the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of three rules; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3929. A communication from the Assistant of Labor for Employment and Training, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on December 3, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-299. A resolution adopted by the Michigan Association of Resource Conservation and Development Councils relative to the Natural Resources Conservation Service; to the Committee on Appropriations.

POM-300. A resolution adopted by the North Alabama Mayor's Association relative to Redstone Arsenal; to the Committee on Armed Services.

POM-301. A resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Monterey Park, California relative to the Federal Aviation Administration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

POM-302. A resolution adopted by the Jerry Voorhis Claremont Democratic Club, Claremont, California, relative to the tobacco industry; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

POM-303. A resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Lakewood, California relative to the Los Angeles River; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

POM-304. A resolution adopted by the East Tennessee Development District relative to American Heritage Rivers; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

POM-305. A resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Oak Ridge, Tennessee relative to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-306. A resolution adopted by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) relative to the Middle East peace process; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

POM-307. A resolution adopted by the Virginia Coal and Energy Commission relative to global warming; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

POM-308. A resolution adopted by Pilipino-American Political Aggregation, Inc. relative to the proposed "Filipino Veterans Equity Act"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

POM-309. A resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Dixon, California relative to a veterans' hospital; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

POM-310. A joint resolution adopted by the Assembly of the State of California; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 36

Whereas, Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death and injury to children; and

Whereas, A properly installed child passenger restraint system can reduce the risk of serious or fatal injury to a child in a crash by 71 percent and reduce the need for hospitalization by 67 percent, and child restraint systems are 50 percent effective in preventing minor injury; and

Whereas, The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) estimates that if all child safety seats were correctly installed in vehicles, 5,300 injuries would be prevented and the lives of 500 young children would be saved each year; and

Whereas, NHTSA estimates that child restraint systems saved the lives of 2,934 children under the age of five years in the United States from 1982 through 1995; and

Whereas, NHTSA estimates that 600 children under five years of age were killed and approximately 70,000 were injured due to improper, or lack of, use of child car safety seats in the United States in 1996; and

Whereas, In 1996, the Department of the California Highway Patrol issued 15,516 citations for noncompliance with child restraint system laws; and

Whereas, As many as 80 percent of all child safety seats are used incorrectly in the United States, and safety seat checkups conducted in California have shown that as many as 92 percent of child safety seats in the state are misused; and

Whereas, The Department of the California Highway Patrol reports that 30 of the 48 children under four years of age who died as passengers in 1993 were in a car seat, but only eight of those car seats were properly installed; and

Whereas, Of the children who died in California car accidents in 1995, 85 percent would have survived had they been sitting in correctly installed child restraint systems; and

Whereas, The impact received by a child in an improperly installed child restraint system at 30 miles per hour is the same as being thrown out of a third-story window; and

Whereas, For a child traveling in a vehicle, the most dangerous place to be is in an adult's arms, otherwise known as the "child crusher position"; and

Whereas, In a crash at approximately 30 miles per hour, a 10-pound infant will be ripped from a belted adult's arms with a force of almost 200 pounds; and

Whereas, A mother weighing 100 pounds, sharing an adult seat belt with her child, in a car traveling 25 miles per hour, on impact will throw 2,500 pounds of pressure against the child; and

Whereas, According to NHTSA, 479 children could have been saved nationwide in 1995 if they had been properly restrained in their child care safety seat; and

Whereas, For consumers the most likely point of contact for information regarding child restraint systems for new vehicles is the automobile dealer, and yet sales, service, and parts personnel are generally unaware of child restraint system installation problems and techniques, and supplemental tools needed for installation; and

Whereas, The only other existing sources of information and assistance about child restraint systems for consumers are printed manuals, instructions, and labels provided