

completion of the Bushehr nuclear power plant in Iran, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4857. An act to reduce waste, fraud, and error in Government programs by making improvements with respect to Federal management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, Federal benefit programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4859. An act to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions.

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

S. 1132. An act to modify the boundaries of the Bandelier National Monument to include the lands within the headwaters of the Upper Alamo Watershed which drain into the Monument and which are not currently within the jurisdiction of a Federal land management agency, to authorize purchase or donation of those lands, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1560. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Lewis & Clark Expedition, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House disagrees to the Senate amendments numbered 2 through 6 of the House amendment to the bill (S. 2375) to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, to strengthen prohibitions on international bribery and other corrupt practices, and for other purposes; and agrees to the Senate amendment numbered 1 with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

#### ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on October 21, 1998, he had presented to the President of the United States, the following enrolled bills and joint resolutions:

S. 2240. An act to establish the Adams National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes.

S. 2246. An act to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmstead National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary and for other purposes.

S. 2285. An act to establish a commission, in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Seneca Falls Convention, to further protect sites of importance in the historic efforts to secure equal rights for women.

S. 2413. An act prohibiting the conveyance of Woodland Lake Park tract in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona unless the conveyance is made top the town of Pinetop-Lakeside or is authorized by Act of Congress.

S. 2427. An act to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the legislative authority for the Black Patriots Foundation to establish a commemorative work.

S. 2468. An act to designate the Biscayne National Park visitor center as the Dante Fascell Visitor Center.

S. 2505. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey title to the Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station in Gooding County, Idaho, to the University of Idaho.

S. 2561. An act to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act with respect to furnishing and using consumer reports for employment purposes.

S.J. Res. 51. Joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia.

S.J. Res. 58. Joint resolution recognizing the accomplishments of Inspector General since their creation in 1978 in preventing and detecting waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, and in promoting economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the Federal Government.

#### 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-7588. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on one proposed rescission of budget authority (R98-25) dated September 29, 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, and to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7589. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VISAS: Grounds of Intelligibility" (Notice 29101) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7590. 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 "Roth IRA Guidance" (Notice 98-50) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7591. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; 30-Day Notices and 135-Day PMA Supplement Review" (Docket 98N-0168) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-7592. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, transmitting, a report on the Department's response to the Comptroller General's study of Department of Defense pharmacy programs; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7593. A communication from the Executive Secretary of the Federal Reserve Employee Benefits System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual reports of the System's Retirement Plan and Thrift Plan for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-7594. A communication from the Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's report under the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-7595. A communication from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bureau of Prisons Central Office, Regional Offices, Institutions, and Staff Training Centers" (RIN1120-AA82) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7596. A communication from the National Service Officer of the American Gold

Star Mothers, Inc., transmitting, pursuant to law, Independent Auditor's Report on the Corporation's Financial Statements for 1997 and 1998; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7597. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of the Treasury, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation allowing the Secretary of the Treasury to produce security documents for certain governments and organizations on a reimbursable basis; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7598. A communication from the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Rule 102(e) of the Commission's Rules of Practice" (RIN3235-AH47) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7599. A communication from the Director of the Office of Global Programs, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NOAA Climate and Global Change Program, Program Announcement" (RIN0648-ZA39) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7600. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Tuna Fisheries; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna; Closure" (I.D. 092398B) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7601. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Funds Availability for the Southeast Bering Sea Carrying Capacity (SEBSC) Project" (RIN0648-ZA47) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7602. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Coastal Services Center Broad Area Announcement" (RIN0648-ZA49) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7603. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Industrial Radiography Licenses" (NUREG-1556) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7604. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Arkansas; Revised Format for Materials Being Incorporated by Reference" (FRL6176-9) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7605. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Guidelines for Implementation of the Drinking Water Infrastructure Grants Tribal Set-Aside Program" (FRL6179-1) received on October 20,

1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7606. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "North Carolina; Final Authorization of Revisions to State Hazardous Waste Management Program" (FRL6166-5) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7607. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Tolerances and Exemptions from the Requirement of a Tolerance for Canceled Pesticide Active Ingredients" (FRL6035-8) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7608. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Tolerances for Canceled Food Uses" (FRL6035-6) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7609. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida; Regulation of Fallglo Variety Tangerines" (Docket FV98-905-5 FR) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7610. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Student Assistance General Provisions" (RIN1840-AC52) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-7611. A communication from the Director of the Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Non-Discrimination Toward Inmates" (RIN1120-AA73) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7612. 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 "Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property" (Rev. Rul. 98-52) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7613. A communication from the Director of Washington Headquarters Services, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) Regulation" (RIN0720-AA46) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7614. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of a proposed license for the export of NULKA Electronic Payloads and related technical data to Australia (DTC 144-98); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7615. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the texts of international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States (98-155 to 98-157); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7616. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's consolidated report

under the Inspector General Act and the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-7617. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cost-of-Living Allowances (Nonforeign Areas); Kauai, HI; U.S. Virgin Islands" (RIN3206-AH07) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-7618. 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 a list of additions and deletions to the Committee's Procurement List dated October 13, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-7619. A communication from the Office of Independent Counsel (In re Secretary of Agriculture Espy), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's consolidated annual report on audit and investigative activities and management control systems for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-7620. A communication from the Director of the National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Service's report entitled "Status of Fisheries of the United States"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7621. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Tuna Fisheries; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna General Category" (I.D. 091198A) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7622. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Swordfish Fishery; South Atlantic Quotas; Quota Adjustment Procedures" (I.D. 121597D) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7623. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; End of the Primary Season and Resumption of Trip Limits for the Shore-Based Whiting Sector" (I.D. 093098B) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7624. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod" (I.D. 082798B) received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7625. A communication from the Acting Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Phase Acquisitions" received on October 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## 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-555. A petition from a citizen of the State of Texas relative to the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-556. A petition from a citizen of the State of New York relative to the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-557. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Michigan; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 78

Whereas, in 1988, the EPA put into place regulations requiring all underground storage tank systems to meet stricter environmental protection standards. Tank systems installed before 1998 must be upgraded by December 22, 1998, or be removed; and

Whereas, Many tank owners and operators discovered leaks at their sites when they began upgrading their tank systems. Consequently, Michigan and other states have seen a dramatic increase in the number of known leaking storage tank sites; and

Whereas, While progress has been made in Michigan and elsewhere on the job of cleaning up affected areas, the task remaining is very large. It presents a serious challenge to most of the states, including Michigan. The primary obstacle to the completion of this endeavor is the high costs facing tank owners and operators to clean up their leaking underground storage tank sites; and

Whereas, A key element in the massive task of dealing with leaking underground storage tanks is the trust fund created through the Superfund Revenue Act of 1986. Funded by a .1 cent per gallon tax on motor fuel, the LUST Trust Fund has a current balance of approximately \$1.2 billion. While the .1 cent per gallon tax was discontinued for nearly two years, the tax was reinstated, beginning on October 1, 1997. The fund will take in approximately \$200 million annually; and

Whereas, In spite of the fund's size and in spite of the pressing need for money by the states in order to comply with the December 22, 1998, deadline for cleanup, the fund releases a far lower amount each year than it could distribute. It is estimated that only one-third of the available money has been distributed to the states; and

Whereas, Accelerating distributions from the trust fund would provide much needed help to the States in achieving the goal of correcting one of our country's most significant environmental problems now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the House of Representatives* (the Senate concurring), That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to increase the amount of money being distributed to the states from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund, and be it further

*Resolved*, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

Adopted by the House of Representatives, February 17, 1998.

Adopted by the Senate, September 15, 1998.

POM-558. A resolution adopted by the House of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; to the Committee on Appropriations.