

By Mr. HATCH for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Priscilla Richman Owen, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

Mary Ellen Coster Williams, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Victor J. Wolski, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

McGregor William Scott, of California, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of California for the term of four years.

Michael E. Horowitz, of Maryland, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission.

Ricardo H. Hinojosa, of Texas, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BURNS, Mr. ALLARD, and Mr. SANTORUM):

S. 724. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt certain rocket propellants from prohibitions under that title on explosive materials; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DAYTON, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 725. A bill to amend the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century to provide from the Highway Trust Fund additional funding for Indian reservation roads, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Ms. STABENOW:

S. 726. A bill to treat the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November as a legal public holiday for purposes of Federal employment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BYRD (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. BURNS, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. BAYH, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 727. A bill to reauthorize a Department of Energy program to develop and implement accelerated research, development, and demonstration projects for advanced clean coal technologies for use in coal-based electricity generating facilities, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives for the use of those technologies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COLEMAN (for himself, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 728. A bill to reimburse the airline industry for homeland security costs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. COLEMAN (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. 729. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a pilot program to encourage the use of medical savings accounts by public employees of the State of Minnesota and political jurisdictions thereof; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 730. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to permit the transfer to spouses and children of a portion of the entitlement of certain members of the Armed Forces to educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 731. A bill to prohibit fraud and related activity in connection with authentication features, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 732. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to create an independent and nonpartisan commission to assess the health care needs of the uninsured and to monitor the financial stability of the Nation's health care safety net; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 733. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for the United States Coast Guard, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CORZINE (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 734. A bill to provide adequate funding for the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

By Mr. BOND (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 735. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the exemption from tax for small property and casualty insurance companies; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself, Mr. ALLARD, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. REID, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 736. A bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to strengthen enforcement of provisions relating to animal fighting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 737. A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to increase the rate of imminent danger special pay and the amount of the family separation allowance; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 738. A bill to designate certain public lands in Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino, Lake, Napa, and Yolo Counties in the State of California as wilderness, to designate certain segments of the Black Butte River in Mendocino County, California as a wild or scenic river, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. KYL, Mr. REID, Mr. BAYH, Mr. INOUE, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 739. A bill to reauthorize and amend the Spark M. Matsunaga Hydrogen Research, Development, and Demonstration Act of 1990, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. DAYTON, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina):

S. 740. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve patient access to, and utilization of, the colorectal cancer screening benefit under the medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. GREGG, Mr. MILLER, Mr. ALLARD, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. ENSIGN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CRAIG, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 741. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with regard to new animal drugs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SMITH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 742. A bill to authorize assistance for individuals with disabilities in foreign countries, including victims of warfare and civil strife, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. FRIST (for Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. INOUE, Mr. FRIST, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. WARNER)):

S. Con. Res. 31. A concurrent resolution expressing the outrage of Congress at the treatment of certain American prisoners of war by the Government of Iraq; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 140

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 140, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend loan forgiveness for certain loans to Head Start teachers.

S. 215

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 215, a bill to authorize funding assistance for the States for the discharge of homeland security activities by the National Guard.

S. 271

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 271, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an additional advance refunding of bonds originally issued to finance governmental facilities used for essential governmental functions.

S. 287

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 287, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that a deduction equal to fair market value shall be allowed for charitable contributions of literary, musical, artistic, or scholarly compositions created by the donor.