

H.R. 3890. An act to reauthorize the Steel and Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1998.

H.R. 4218. An act to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991.

H.R. 4516. An act to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program of research and development to advance high-end computing.

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

H. Con. Res. 301. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the World Year of Physics.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1856. An act to reauthorize the harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 3890. An act to reauthorize the Steel and Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1998; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4218. An act to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 4516. An act to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program of research and development to advance high-end computing; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following joint resolution was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. J. Res. 40. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

S. 2629. A bill to amend the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 to eliminate the coverage gap, to eliminate HMO subsidies, to repeal health savings accounts, and for other purposes.

S. 2630. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code to establish a national health program administered by the Office of Personnel Management to offer Federal employee benefits plans to individuals who are not Federal employees, and for other purposes.

S. 2631. A bill to require the Federal Trade Commission to monitor and investigate gasoline prices under certain circumstances.

S. 2632. A bill to establish a first responder and terrorism preparedness grant information hotline, and for other purposes.

S. 2633. A bill to amend the Federal Power Act to provide refunds for unjust and unreasonable charges on electric energy in the State of California.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with

accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-8307. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Management, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's competitive sourcing efforts; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8308. A communication from the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's competitive sourcing efforts; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8309. A communication from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a transaction involving U.S. exports to Australia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8310. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fair Credit Reporting Act" received on June 24, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8311. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Banking and Finance, Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Terrorism Risk Insurance Program—Claims Procedures" (RIN1505-AB07) received on June 24, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8312. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure Regarding Approval of Investment Advisory Contracts By Directors of Investment Companies" (RIN3235-AJ10) received on June 25, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8313. A communication from the Senior Paralegal for Regulations, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessments and Fees" (RIN1550-AB89) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8314. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suretyship and Guaranty; Maximum Borrowing Authority" received on July 4, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8315. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "12 C.F.R. Part 745 Share Insurance and Appendix" received on July 4, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8316. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Organization and Operations of Federal Credit Unions; Loan Participation" received on July 4, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8317. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "12 C.F.R. Part 708a; Conversion of Insured Credit Unions to Mutual Savings Banks" received on July 4, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8318. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Market Regula-

tion, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rule 31—Section 31 Transaction Fees; Rule 31T—Temporary Rule Regarding Fiscal Year 2004; Form R31—Form for Reporting Covered Sales and Covered Round Turn Transactions Under Section 31 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934" (RIN3235-AJ02) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8319. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the profitability of the credit card operations of depository institutions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8320. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Investment Adviser Codes of Ethics" (RIN3235-AJ08) received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8321. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "31 CFR Part 344, U.S. Treasury Securities—State and Local Government Series" received on July 6, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8322. A communication from the Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Administration's competitive sourcing efforts; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-8323. A communication from the Co-Chairs, Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Interim Report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8324. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General for Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's competitive sourcing efforts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8325. A communication from the Attorney General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Justice's Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2003-2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8326. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Victims Compensation Fund; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8327. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel and Designated Reporting Official, Office of National Drug Control Policy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Deputy Director for Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, received on July 1, 2004; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8328. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed for the position of Under Secretary, Department of Education, received on June 25, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8329. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Under Secretary, Department of Education, received on June 25, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8330. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Deputy Secretary, Department of Education, received