

He also earned a Master of Laws degree from Harvard Law School.

During his military career, Captain Morriss excelled at all facets of his chosen professions of law and Naval service. As a line officer, he served both as Fire Control Officer onboard USS *Bowen*, FF-1079, and as Supporting Arms Coordinator/Assistant Operations Officer for Amphibious Squadron EIGHT. He qualified as a Surface Warfare Officer before being accepted in the law education program.

As a judge advocate, Captain Morriss has served in a variety of challenging assignments. Like many judge advocates that have come before and have followed him, Captain Morriss began his legal career as a defense counsel and legal assistance attorney at the Navy Legal Services Office, Charleston, SC. Later in his career, he was given the honor of leading young judge advocates as the commanding officer, Navy Legal Services Office National Capital Region.

As Force/Fleet Judge Advocate he provided critical legal advice for operations in the Central Command's area of operations. His keen intellect and integrity led to Captain Morriss' services as the Assistant for Legal and Legislative matters for the Vice Chief of Naval Operations. This would not be the last time Captain Morriss was asked by the Department of the Navy for his advice and counsel on legislative matters.

I am sure that many of my colleagues know and appreciate Captain Morriss' service as Director of Legislation in the Navy's Office of Legislative Affairs and his prior service as a Legislative Counsel in that same office. During these assignments, he directly contributed to clear and concise communication between Congress and the Departments of the Navy on a broad range of legislative matters. His talents, knowledge, and legal acumen are such that I have asked him to serve on the staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee. The Navy's loss is certainly the Senate's gain, and we look forward to working with Dave Morriss for many years to come.

The Nation, the United States Navy, and the Judge Advocate General's Corps have been made better through the talent and dedication of CAPT David M. Morriss. I know all of my colleagues join me in congratulating Dave, his wife Mary Elizabeth, and sons John, Will, and Graham, on the completion of an outstanding military career. ●

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 570. A bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act and title III of the Public Health Service Act to improve access to information about individuals' health care options and legal rights for care near the end of life, to promote advance care planning and decisionmaking so that individuals' wishes

are known should they become unable to speak for themselves, to engage health care providers in disseminating information about and assisting in the preparation of advance directives, which include living wills and durable powers of attorney for health care, and for other purposes.

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-1241. A communication from the Attorney, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Certification Requirements of Multistage Vehicles" (2127-AE27) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1242. A communication from the Attorney, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Availability of Information for Hazardous Materials Transported by Aircraft" (RIN2137-AD29) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1243. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Chief Counsel, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Positive Train Control" (RIN2130-AA94) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1244. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Gippsland Aeronautics Pty Ltd. Model GA8 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0103)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1245. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Rolls Royce plc RB211 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0104)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1246. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Pratt and Whitney JT8D-209, 217, 217A, 217C, and 219 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0105)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1247. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica SA Model EMB 135BJ Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0106)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1248. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model MD 11 and MD 11F Airplanes Equipped with Pratt and Whitney PW4000 Series Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)

(2005-0107)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1249. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 757 Series Airplanes Equipped with Rolls Royce Model RB211 Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0108)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1250. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model MD 11 and MD 11F Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0109)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1251. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A319, A320, and A321 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0110)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1252. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 767-200, 300, and 300F Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0111)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1253. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Carrying Candidates in Elections" (RIN2120-AI12) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1254. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Pacific Aerospace Corp, Ltd. Model 750XL Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0114)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1255. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-300, 400, and 500 Series Airplanes; and Model 757-200 and 200CB Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0113)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1256. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 747 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2005-0112)) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1257. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cape Town Treaty Implementation; Opportunity to Comment on Information Collection Requirements" (RIN2120-AI48) received on March 8, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1258. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule