

through spyware programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 1051. An act to direct the Secretary of Education to establish and maintain a public website through which individuals may find a complete database of available scholarships, fellowships, and other programs of financial assistance in the study of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 1139. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to plan, design and construct facilities to provide water for irrigation, municipal, domestic, and other uses from the Bunker Hill Groundwater Basin, Santa Ana River, California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 1175. An act to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to increase the ceiling on the Federal share of the costs of phase I of the Orange County, California, Regional Water Reclamation Project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 1467. An act to authorize the National Science Foundation to award grants to institutions of higher education to develop and offer education and training programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 1469. An act to establish the Senator Paul Simon Study Abroad Foundation under the authorities of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 1716. An act to authorize higher education curriculum development and graduate training in advanced energy and green building technologies; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 1736. An act to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to provide for conjunctive use of surface and groundwater in Juab County, Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2446. An act to reauthorize the Afghanistan Freedom Support Act of 2002, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 2559. An act to temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 54. Concurrent resolution expressing the support of Congress for the creation of a National Hurricane Museum and Science Center in Southwest Louisiana; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H. Con. Res. 94. Concurrent resolution encouraging the elimination of harmful fishing subsidies that contribute to overcapacity in commercial fishing fleets worldwide and that lead to the overfishing of global fish stocks; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H. Con. Res. 116. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the National Museum of Wildlife Art, located in Jackson, Wyoming, shall be designated as the "National Museum of Wildlife Art of the United States"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H. Con. Res. 152. Concurrent resolution relating to the 40th anniversary of the reunification of the City of Jerusalem; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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-2183. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Diuron; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8133-2) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2184. A communication from the Chief, Congressional Action Division, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the initiation of a multi-function standard competition of the Core Enterprise Communications Function at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2185. A communication from the Chief, Congressional Action Division, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the initiation of a multi-function standard competition of the Noncore Enterprise Communications Function at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2186. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a review of the C-130 Avionics Modernization Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2187. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a review of the Joint Primary Aircraft Trainer System program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2188. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a review of the Expeditionary Fighting Vehicle program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2189. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a review of the Warfighter Information Network-Tactical program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2190. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a review of the Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missile program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2191. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Rodney P. Rempt, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2192. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Donald C. Arthur, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2193. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the Russian Federation as declared in Executive

Order 13159 of June 21, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2194. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Market Regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oversight of Credit Rating Agencies Registered as Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations" (RIN3235-AJ78) received on June 5, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2195. A communication from the National ESA Listing Coordinator, Office of Protected Resources, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Listing Determination for Puget Sound Steelhead" (RIN0648-AU43) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2196. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: HI-STORM 100 Revision 3" (RIN3150-AH98) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2197. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: NAC-MPC Revision 5" (RIN3150-AI13) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2198. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Fee Schedules: Fee Recovery for Fiscal Year 2007" (RIN3150-AI00) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2199. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Access Authorization Fees" (RIN3150-AH99) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2200. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Preparedness Policies Developed for Nuclear Materials Facilities" (RIN3150-AI17) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2201. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determination of Attainment, Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Ohio; Redesignation of Youngstown, Ohio to Attainment of the 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 8324-9) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2202. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Findings of Failure to Attain; State of Arizona, Phoenix Nonattainment Area; State of California, Owens Valley Nonattainment Area; Particulate Matter of 10 Microns or Less" (FRL No. 8322-5) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2203. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office

of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste; Final Exclusion" (FRL No. 8322-6) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2204. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Phase 2 of the Final Rule to Implement the 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard—Notice of Reconsideration" ((RIN2060-A000)(FRL No. 8324-9)) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2205. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Nonattainment New Source Review: Removal of Vacated Elements" ((RIN2060-AN92)(FRL No. 8324-6)) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2206. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Conduct on Bureau of Reclamation Facilities, Lands, and Waterbodies; Inclusion of Hoover Dam" (RIN1006-AA52) received on June 5, 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2207. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rollovers to Roth IRAs" (Announcement 2007-55) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2208. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Covered Employees Under Section 162(m)(3)" (Announcement 2007-49) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2209. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Immunology and Microbiology Devices; Classification of Gene Expression Profiling Test System for Breast Cancer Prognosis" (Docket No. 2007N-0136) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2210. A communication from the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Commission's Inspector General for the period of October 1, 2006, through March 31, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2211. A communication from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fees for Customs Processing at Express Consignment Carrier Facilities" (RIN1505-AB39) received on June 5, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2212. A communication from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States—Singapore Free Trade Agreement" (RIN1505-AB48) received on

June 5, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2213. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances; Placement of Lisdexamphetamine into Schedule II" (Docket No. DEA-301F) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2214. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Record Disclosure and Privacy" (RIN3245-AF20) received on June 6, 2007; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

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-101. A concurrent resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana urging Congress to take such actions as are necessary to continue the current United States sugar program in the 2007 Farm Bill; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 83

Whereas, Louisiana farmers have produced sugarcane for more than two hundred years; and

Whereas, Louisiana's sugarcane industry employs approximately twenty-seven thousand people and contributes more than 1.7 billion dollars to the state's economy; and

Whereas, the state's sugar producers were severely harmed by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and

Whereas, a strong domestic sugar market is a critical component to the sugar industry's recovery in Louisiana; and

Whereas, the state's sugar producers depend on the sugar policy in the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 for survival; and

Whereas, United States sugar policy has kept sugar affordable for grocery shoppers, has operated at no cost to taxpayers, and has strengthened the country's food security; Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to continue the current United States sugar program in the 2007 Farm Bill; be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States of America and to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation.

POM-102. A concurrent resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana urging Congress to take such actions as are necessary to expedite the repair and rebuilding of the St. Bernard Parish levee system by all appropriate federal agencies and to close the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 67

Whereas, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA-E) is charged with flood protection of a large portion of south Louisiana; and

Whereas, this geographical area includes the Lake Borgne Levee District, which encompasses St. Bernard Parish; and

Whereas, the Lake Borgne Levee District has suffered catastrophic damage to its flood protection systems, including pumps, pump stations, drainage canals, and levees from the effects of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and

Whereas, it has been twenty months since the hurricanes passed through the area; and

Whereas, much-needed repairs to the flood protection systems include the need for temporary pumping capacity, sediment removal from all canals, storm-proofing pump stations, raising the Caernarvon to Verret levee to its authorized height, raising the Bayou Bienvenue to the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal levee and floodwall, and completion of the design and construction of permanent pump stations to replace those ruined by the hurricanes; and

Whereas, the Lake Borgne Levee District cannot provide adequate flood protection to the citizens of St. Bernard Parish until repairs to the levee system are complete; and

Whereas, delays have been caused by a lack of cooperation between several key federal agencies, including the United States Army Corps of Engineers, National Resources Conservation Service, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the Department of Homeland Security; and

Whereas, congress must intervene on behalf of the citizens of Louisiana to finish these key hurricane flood protection projects; and

Whereas, the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet (MRGO) is a seventy-six-mile-long, man-made navigational channel which connects the Gulf of Mexico to the Port of New Orleans; and

Whereas, since MRGO was completed, the United States Army Corps of Engineers estimates that the area has lost nearly three thousand two hundred acres of fresh and intermediate marsh, more than ten thousand three hundred acres of brackish marsh, four thousand two hundred acres of saline marsh, and one thousand five hundred acres of cypress swamp and levee forest in addition to major habitat alterations due to saltwater intrusion; and

Whereas, the dramatic loss of coastal wetlands and marshes caused by MRGO exposed St. Bernard Parish to much more severe impacts from the hurricanes and tropical storms that regularly occur in the Gulf of Mexico; and

Whereas, those concerns proved true in an extremely dramatic fashion on August 29, 2005, when Hurricane Katrina struck Louisiana's coast with a tidal surge well in excess of twenty feet; and

Whereas, there is a growing consensus that the flooding that occurred in St. Bernard Parish, New Orleans East, and the Lower Ninth Ward of New Orleans was a result of storm surge that flowed up MRGO to the point where it converges with the Intra-coastal Waterway and that the confluence created a funnel that directed the storm surge into the New Orleans Industrial Canal, where it overtopped the levees along MRGO and the Industrial Canal and eventually breached the levees and flooded into the neighborhoods that lie close to those three waterways, resulting in more than eleven hundred deaths in the Greater New Orleans area, including one hundred twenty-eight deaths in St. Bernard Parish, destroying over twenty-four thousand homes, and rendering more than sixty-seven thousand residents of St. Bernard Parish and uncounted numbers in New Orleans East and the Lower Ninth Ward of New Orleans homeless, without possessions, and unemployed; and

Whereas, in addition to destroying homes, the floodwaters washed away churches and other places of worship, schools, businesses, community centers, recreational facilities,