

EC-4178. A communication from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a legislative proposal intended to implement an important new treaty for the protection of the world's oceans from ocean dumping; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4179. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia; Redesignation of 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Areas to Attainment and Approval of the Areas' Maintenance Plans and 2002 Base-Year Inventories; Correction" (FRL No. 8500-8) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4180. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Amendments to the Control of VOC Emissions from Consumer Products" (FRL No. 8500-6) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4181. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Minnesota" (FRL No. 8501-3) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4182. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Amendments Extending the Applicability of Four Consumer and Commercial Product Regulations to the Fredericksburg Volatile Organic Compound Emissions Control Area" (FRL No. 8500-9) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4183. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Georgia: Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance Plan" (FRL No. 8503-1) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4184. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri; General Conformity" (FRL No. 8502-2) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4185. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Saint Regis Mohawk's Tribal Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 8488-9) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4186. 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 "Bacillus Thuringiensis Vip3Aa19 Protein in Cotton; Extension of a Temporary Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8340-4) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4187. 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 "Change in Deadline for Rulemaking to Address the Control of Emissions from New Marine Compression-Ignition Engines at or Above 30 Liters per Cylinder" (FRL No. 8502-6) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4188. 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 "Ethalfuralin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8342-2) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4189. 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 "Interpretation of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for PM_{2.5} — Correcting and Simplifying Amendment" (FRL No. 8502-3) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4190. 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 "Pesticide Tolerance Crop Grouping Program" (FRL No. 8343-1) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4191. 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 "Spinosad; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8339-8) received on December 4, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4192. A communication from the Director, Director of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Employer Payment for Personal Protective Equipment" (RIN1218-AB77) received on November 26, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4193. A communication from the Interim Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's Annual Management Report for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4194. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4195. A communication from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the organization's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4196. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant

to law, the Department's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4197. 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 April 1, 2007, through September 30, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4198. A communication from the President, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Corporation's audit and investigative activities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4199. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4200. A communication from the Chairman, Postal Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Commission's Inspector General for the period of late June 2007 through September 30, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4201. A communication from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Commission's Inspector General for the six-month period ending September 30, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1946. A bill to help Federal prosecutors and investigators combat public corruption by strengthening and clarifying the law (Rept. No. 110-239).

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. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 2436. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the term of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue; read the first time.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2437. A bill for the relief of Dr. Luis A.M. Gonzalez and Dr. Virginia Aguila Gonzalez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 2438. A bill to repeal certain provisions of the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 2439. A bill to require the National Incident Based Reporting System, the Uniform Crime Reporting Program, and the Law Enforcement National Data Exchange Program to list cruelty to animals as a separate offense category; to the Committee on the Judiciary.