

or exchange certain National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration property located in Norfolk, Virginia, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 5618) to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6098) to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve the financial assistance provided to State, local, and tribal governments for information sharing activities, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6849) to amend the commodity provisions of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to permit producers to aggregate base acres and reconstitute farms to avoid the prohibition on receiving direct payments, counter-cyclical payments, or average crop revenue election payments when the sum of the base acres of a farm is 10 acres, or less, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) announced that on today, September 30, 2008, he had signed the following enrolled bills, previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

H.R. 3229. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the legacy of the United States Army Infantry and the establishment of the National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center.

H.R. 5265. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for research with respect to various forms of muscular dystrophy, including Becker, congenital, distal, Duchenne, Emery-Dreifuss facioscapulohumeral, limb-girdle, myotonic, and oculopharyngeal, muscular dystrophies.

H. R. 5872. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Assistant Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, September 30, 2008, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 2162. An act to improve the treatment and services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder and substance use disorders, and for other purposes.

S. 2840. An act to establish a liaison with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services to expedite naturalization applications filed by members of the Armed Forces and to establish a deadline for processing such applications.

S. 2982. An act to amend the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act to authorize appropriations, and for other purposes.

S. 3597. An act to provide that funds allocated for community food projects for fiscal

year 2008 shall remain available until September 30, 2009.

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-8127. A communication from the Division Director of the Policy Issuances Division, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determining Net Weight Compliance for Meat and Poultry Products" ((RIN0583-AD17)(73 FR 52189)) received on September 18, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8128. A communication from the Division Director of the Policy Issuances Division, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allowing Bar-Type Cut Turkey Operations To Use J-Type Cut Maximum Line Speeds" ((RIN0583-AD18)(73 FR 51899)) received on September 18, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8129. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fifth Report to Congress on Actions Taken by the Department of Energy in Response to the Proposals in the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's December 2003 Report to Congress on Plutonium Storage at the Savannah River Site"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8130. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tax-Exempt Bond Partnerships: Eligibility for Monthly Closing Elections" (Notice 2008-80) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8131. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates—October 2008" (Rev. Rul. 2008-49) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8132. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tax-Exempt Housing Bonds and 2008 Housing Legislation" (Notice 2008-79) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8133. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Relaxing Restrictions on Issuing Letters to New Pre-approved Plans" (Rev. Proc. 2008-56) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8134. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles in the amount of \$1,000,000 to Canada; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8135. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Viking

Air Limited Models DHC-6-1, DHC-6-100, DHC-6-200, and DHC-6-300 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2008-0367)) received on August 20, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8136. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E5 Airspace; Long Prairie, MN" ((Docket No. FAA-2008-023)(Airspace Docket No. 08-AGL-1)) received on August 20, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8137. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Long Prairie, MN; Confirmation of Effective Date; Correction" ((Docket No. FAA-2008-0023)(Airspace Docket No. 08-AGL-1)) received on August 20, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8138. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Philippi, WV" ((Docket No. FAA-2008-0131)(Airspace Docket No. 08-AEA-12)) received on August 20, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8139. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Plaquemine Brule Bayou, Midland, LA" (RIN1625-AA09) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8140. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Training and Service Requirements for Merchant Marine Officers" ((RIN1625-AB10)(USCG-2006-26202)) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8141. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone Regulations (including 2 regulations beginning with USCG-2008-0823)" (RIN1625-AA87) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8142. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone Regulations (including 2 beginning with USCG-2008-0835)" (RIN1625-AA00) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8143. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; Choptank River, Cambridge, MD" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2008-0832)) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8144. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Financial Responsibility for Water Pollution (Vessels) and OPA

90 Limits of Liability (Vessels and Deep-water Ports)" (RIN1625-AA98)(Docket No. USCG-2005-21780) received on September 25, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8145. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D Airspace; Jacksonville Whitehouse NOLF, FL" (Docket No. FAA-2007-29058)(Airspace Docket No. 07-ASO-21) received on September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8146. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class D Airspace; New Braunfels, Texas" (Docket No. FAA-2007-29372)(Airspace Docket No. 07-ASW-9) received on September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8147. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Jacksonville Cecil Field, FL" (Docket No. FAA-2007-29055)(Airspace Docket No. 07-ASO-19) received on September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8148. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D Airspace; Jacksonville NAS, FL" (Docket No. FAA-2007-29057)(Airspace Docket No. 07-ASO-20) received on September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8149. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class D Airspace; Brunswick, ME" (Docket No. FAA-2008-0203)(Airspace Docket No. 08-ANE-99) received on September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8150. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Arrius 2F Turboshaft Engines" (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2007-28053) received on September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8151. 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 A330 and A340 Airplanes" (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2007-0347) received on September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8152. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Model AS 355 N Helicopters" (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2008-0041) received on September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8153. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule

entitled "Establishment of Low Altitude Area Navigation Route T-209; GA" (RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2007-28161) received on September 30, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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 Ms. SNOWE:

S. 3655. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from an employee's gross income any employer-provided supplemental instructional services assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 3656. A bill to preserve access to healthcare under the Medicare and Medicaid programs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 3657. A bill to provide additional respite care for spouses of members of the Armed Forces who deploy overseas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3658. A bill to require the accreditation of English language training programs, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. DOLE (for herself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. BURR, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. VITTER, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 695. A resolution commending the Honor Flight Network and its volunteers and donors for making it possible for World War II veterans to travel to the Nation's capital to visit the World War II Memorial created in their honor; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 696. A resolution designating September 2008 as "National Youth Court Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. BENNETT):

S. Res. 697. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Cyber Security Awareness Month and raising awareness and enhancing the state of computer security in the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. LEAHY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. BAYH)):

S. Res. 698. A resolution designating October 17, 2008, as "National Mammography Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. OBAMA):

S. Res. 699. A resolution supporting the work of firefighters to educate and protect the Nation's communities, and the goals and ideals of Fire Prevention Week, October 5-11, 2008, as designated by the National Fire Protection Association; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. STABENOW,

Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BURR, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. Res. 700. A resolution congratulating Michael Phelps and the members and coaches of the United States Olympic Swimming Team for their record-breaking performance at the 2008 Summer Olympic Games in Beijing, China; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 587

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 587, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the Model T Ford Automobile and the 100th anniversary of the Highland Park Plant, Michigan, the birthplace of the assembly line, and for other purposes.

S. 826

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) and the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) were added as cosponsors of S. 826, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional gold medal to Alice Paul, in recognition of her role in the women's suffrage movement and in advancing equal rights for women.

S. 1130

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1130, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restore, increase, and make permanent the exclusion from gross income for amounts received under qualified group legal services plans.

S. 2928

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2928, a bill to ban bisphenol A in children's products.

S. 3331

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3331, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that the payment of the manufacturers' excise tax on recreational equipment be paid quarterly.

S. 3416

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3416, a bill to amend section 40122(a) of title 49, United States Code, to improve the dispute resolution process at the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 3505

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3505, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to