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; Ohio and West Virginia; Determinations of Attainment for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter Standard” (FRL No. 8982-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3743. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, 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; Transportation Conformity Regulations” (FRL No. 8983-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3744. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval of the Clean Air Act, Section 112(1), Authority for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Perchloroethylene Air Emission Standards for Facility Dumps in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection” (FRL No. 8974-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3745. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Economic Regulations for Automobiles: Technical Amendments and Conformations” (FRL No. 8982-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3746. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Area Sources: Asphalt Processing and Asphalt Roofing Manufacturing” (FRL No. 8983-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3747. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Area Sources: Standards for Paints and Allied Products Manufacturing” (FRL No. 8983-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3748. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations and Branches Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Information Reporting Requirements Under Internal Revenue Code Section 6059” (RIN1545-BH19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3749. 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 “Employee Stock Purchase Plans Under Internal Revenue Code Section 423” (RIN1545-BH68) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3750. A communication from the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a proposed technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to Hong Kong relative to the design, manufacture, and delivery of the AsiaSat Commercial Communication Satellite in the amount of $30,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3751. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment aboard relative to the modification of a Sikorsky Sikorsky S-70A-28 Black HeliOpter to the CH-47F configuration for end-use by Singapore in the amount of $30,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3752. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval of the Clean Air Act, Section 112(1), Authority for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Perchloroethylene Air Emission Standards for Facility Dumps in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection” (FRL No. 8974-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3753. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency’s response to the GAO report entitled “Information Technology: Federal Agencies Need to Strengthen Investment Board Oversight of Poorly Planned and Performing Projects” to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3754. A report from the Deputy Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Astaxanthin Dimethilisuccinate (Docket No. FDA-2007-C-0044) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 17, 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3755. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a petition to add workers from Baker-Perkins Company, of Owosso, Michigan, to the Special Exposure Cohort to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DODD, from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2739. An original bill to expand the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996, to provide for the divestment of assets in Iran by State and local governments and other entities, to identify locations of concern with respect to transshipment, reexportation, or diversion of certain sensitive items to Iran, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. CASSIDY), from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with amendments:

S. 2800. A bill to amend subtitle B of title VII of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to provide education for homeless children and youths, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PLAKOUTHI (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY), from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1281. A bill to repeal title II of the REAL ID Act of 2005 and amend title II of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to better protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of personally identifiable information in the database that supports the database and identification documents, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

*Errol G. Southers, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

By Mr. LÉAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary:

Jane Branstetter Stranch, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

Christina Reis, of Vermont, to be United States District Judge for the District of Vermont.

Abdul K. Kallon, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

* Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee’s commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate. (Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

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. DODD:

S. 2739. An original bill to expand the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996, to provide for the divestment of assets in Iran by State and local governments and other entities, to identify locations of concern with respect to transshipment, reexportation, or diversion of certain sensitive items to Iran, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. CASSIDY):

S. 2800. A bill to amend subtitle B of title VII of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to provide education for homeless children and youths, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 2801. A bill to provide children in foster care with school stability and equal access to educational opportunities; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.