statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–4421. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the report of a certification of a proposed Manufacturing License Agreement with Turkey; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–4422. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or services under a contract in the amount of $50,000,000 or more to Singapore; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–4423. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or services under a contract in the amount of $50,000,000 or more to Greece; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–4424. A communication from the Procurement and Materials Management Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Department of State Acquisition Regulation" (RIN1409–AA71), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–4425. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VA Acquisition Regulation: Bonds and Insurance" (RIN25950–AC10), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC–4426. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; Clarification of the Nature of Required CDBG Expenditure Documentation" (FR–4449) (RIN25896–AC10), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC–4427. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendment to the Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP)" (FR–4449–1–D1) (RIN2577–AC10), received July 28, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–4428. A communication from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to South Africa; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–4429. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sudanese Sanctions Regulations; Libyan Sanctions Regulations; Iranian Transactions Regulations; Licensing of Commercial Sales of Agriculture Commodities and Products, Medicine, and Medical Equipment" (31 CFR Parts 538, 550 and 560), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–4430. A communication from the Director, Office of White House Liaison, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Definition of a 'Member' of a Member Association" (RIN30352–AB84), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–4431. A communication from the Congression Review Coordinator, Regulatory Analysis and Development, Policy and Program Development, Office of Legislative and Executive Communication, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Ports Designated for Exportation of Horses; New Jersey and New York" (Docket No. 98–078–2), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–4432. A communication from the Congression Review Coordinator, Regulatory Analysis and Development, Policy and Program Development, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pesticides; Revocation of Registration of Fungicide 'Benzthiazuron'" (Docket No. 98–078–1), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–4433. A communication from the Congression Review Coordinator, Regulatory Analysis and Development, Policy and Program Development, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Noxious Weeds; Permits and Interstate Movement" (Docket No. 96–060–1), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–4434. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agen- cy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Propiconazole; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL #9699–4), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–4435. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Imidacloprid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL #9698–2), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–4436. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyriproxyfen; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL #9694–2), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–4437. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rigor Mortis; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL #9693–2), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–4438. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Lygus bugs; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL #9690–2), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–4439. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Licensee Qualification for Performing Safety Analyses" (NRC Generic Letter 83–11, Supplement 1), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–4440. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Definition of 'Member' of a Member Association" (RIN30352–AB84), received July 27, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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–277. A resolution adopted by the New Jersey Federation of Women's Clubs, in convention, relative to harvesting of horseshoe
crabs; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM–276. A resolution adopted by the New Jersey Federation of Women's Clubs, in convention, relative to the trafficking of women and girls, to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

POM–279. A resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, Ohio relative to the proposed "Empowerment Zone and Enterprise Communities Enhancement Act of 1999"; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Special Report entitled "History, Jurisdiction, and a Summary of Activities of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources during the 106th Congress" (Rept. No. 106–127).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:


By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 969. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the State of South Dakota to the Terry Peak Ski Area (Rept. No. 106–129).

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 95. A resolution designating August 16, 1999, as "National Airborne Day".

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

S. 1250. A bill to protect consumers and promote electronic commerce by amending certain trademark infringement, dilution, and counterfeiting laws, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mr. HATCH, for the Committee on the Judiciary:

Richard A. Paez, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Raymond C. Fisher, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Maryanne Trump Barry, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

David N. Hurd, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York.

Nanoli Reice Vuchchwald, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

M. James Lorenz, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

Victor Marrero, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Brian Theodore Stewart, of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah.

Alejandro N. Mayorkas, of California, to be United States Attorney for the Central District of California.

(Their nominations were recommended with the report that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 1456. A bill to provide for the relief of Rocco A. Trecosta of Fort Lauderdale, Florida; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. CRAIG):

S. 1457. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to assess opportunities to increase carbon storage on national forests derived from the public domain and to facilitate voluntary and accurate reporting of forest projects that reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REID:

S. 1458. A bill to provide for a reduction in the rate of adolescent pregnancy through the evaluation of public and private prevention programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MACK (for himself, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Helms, and Mr. ROBIE):

S. 1459. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect the right of a medicare-eligible beneficiary enrolled in the Medicare+Choice plan to receive services at a skilled nursing facility selected by that individual; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ABRAHAM (for himself and Mr. Levin):

S. 1460. A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to allow business and industry guaranteed loans to be made for farmer-owned projects that add value to or process agricultural products; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Abraham, Mr. Torricelli, Mr. Dwein, Mr. Kohl, and Mr. Schumer):

S. 1461. A bill to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 (15 U.S.C. 1051 et seq.) to protect consumers and promote electronic commerce by prohibiting the bad-faith registration, trafficking or use of Internet domain names that are identical to, confusingly similar to, or dilutive of distinctive trademarks or service marks; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JEFFORDS:

S. 1462. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to permit importation in personal baggage and through mail order of certain covered products for personal use from Canada, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. Dwein (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Torricelli, Ms. Collins, Mr. DeWine, Ms. Pappas, Ms. Kulkoski, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Chafee, and Mr. Kennedy):

S. 1463. A bill to establish a program to provide low-cost credit and other financial services for microenterprises in developing countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. HAGEL (for himself, Mrs. Lincoln, Mr. Roberts, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Graham, Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Smith of Oregon, Mr. Hollings, Mr. Craig, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Chao, Mr. Burns, Mr. Frist, Mr. Breaux, Mr. Ashcroft, Mr. Coverdell, Mr. Helms, and Mr. Lott):

S. 1464. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to establish certain requirements regarding the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mrs. LINCOLN:

S. 1465. A bill to provide for safe schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. THOMPSON (for himself and Mr. Ashcroft):

S. 1466. A bill to amend chapter 5 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for congressional review of rules establishing or increasing taxes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. CRAIG):

S. 1457. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to assess opportunities to increase carbon storage on national forests derived from the public domain and to facilitate voluntary and accurate reporting of forest projects that reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

THE FOREST RESOURCES FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE ECONOMY ACT

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, today Senator CRAIG and I are introducing a bill that will help protect the global climate system by improving local natural resource management and strengthening the economy in rural communities. The Forest Resources for the Environment and the Economy Act of 1999 will expand the nation’s forested lands and provide effective tools for including forests in our national efforts to fight global warming. The bill focuses on forests because they are the lungs of our planet. Investing in healthy forests is an investment in the health of our environment today and the well-being of our planet for decades to come.

In the Pacific Northwest, forests are more than critical environmental resources—they are also a cornerstone of our economy. In debates about forest policies, there are those who have advocated an exclusively environmental path and others who have stressed an exclusively economic pathway. This bill is part of what I believe is a third pathway through the woods—a path to both stronger rural economies and healthier forests. It will reduce the buildup of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere and help protect our global climate for ourselves, our children and our grandchildren. It will provide improved wildlife and fish habitats and