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

S. 925. 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.

Naomi Reice Buchwald, 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 Theadore 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.

Mr. HATCH: (open microphone)

(above nominations 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 time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 1456. A bill 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. FENTON, Mr. HELMS, and Mr. ROBERSON):

S. 1459. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect the right of a Medicare beneficiary enrolled in a 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. LIAHNY, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. TORRECKI, Mr. DINAIRE, 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 personal use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DINAIRE (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. TORRECKI, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. DITTAHOVICH, Mr. RUBIN, Mr. KULSKI, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. RINGAMAN, Mr. CHAFFEE, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 1463. A bill to establish a program to provide federal grants of 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. HUTCHISON, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. HOLINGS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. GORTON, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CHAPPO, Mr. BURNS, Mr. FRITZ, Mr. BERBAUX, Mr. ASHcroft, Mr. QUIVERDALL, 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 8 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 am 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 pathway 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