

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:59 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hanrahan, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 603. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to clarify the application of the act popularly known as the "Death on the High Seas Act" to aviation incidents.

H.R. 661. An act to direct the Secretary of Transportation to prohibit the commercial operation of supersonic transport category aircraft that do not comply with stage 3 noise levels if the European Union adopts certain aircraft noise regulations.

H.R. 707. An act to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize a program for predisaster, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 40. Concurrent resolution honoring Morris King Udall, former United States Representative from Arizona, and extending the condolences of the Congress on his death.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 103 of Public Law 99-371 (20 U.S.C. 4303), the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House to the Board of Trustees of Gallaudet University: Mr. LAHOOD of Illinois.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 3 of Public Law 94-304, as amended by section 1 of Public Law 99-7, the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Chairman.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 2(a) of the National Cultural Center Act (20 U.S.C. 76h(a)), the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts: Mr. PORTER of Illinois.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 1505 of Public Law 99-498 (20 U.S.C. 4412), the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House to the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 603. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to clarify the application of the act popularly known as the "Death on the High Seas Act" to aviation incidents; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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operation of supersonic transport category aircraft that do not comply with stage 3 noise levels if the European Union adopts certain aircraft noise regulations; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-2012. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Category Effluent Limitations Guidelines, Pretreatment Standards, and New Source Performance Standards; Final Rule" (FRL6304-8) received on February 25, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2013. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report under the Federal Vacancies Reform Act regarding the position of Special Trustee for American Indians; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-2014. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on a proposed Plan Amendment to allow the Department of Energy to acquire oil for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve received on February 11, 1999; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2015. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report under the Federal Vacancies Reform Act regarding the position of Director, Bureau of Land Management; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2016. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report under the Federal Vacancies Reform Act regarding the position of Assistant Secretary of Labor for Policy; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2017. A communication from the Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, a report entitled "Congressional Justification of Budget Estimates for Fiscal Year 2000"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2018. A communication from the Office of the Marshal, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Marshal's Annual report on the cost of the protective function provided by the Supreme Court Police to Justices, official guests and employees of the Supreme Court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2019. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Premerger Notification: Reporting and Waiting Period Requirements" received on March 1, 1999; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2020. A communication from the Chief of the Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of a cost comparison of the Base Operating Support Functions at Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Georgia; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2021. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of a determination allowing the Department of Defense to procure articles containing para-aramid fibers and yarns manufactured in a foreign country; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2022. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report on the event-based decision making for the F-22 aircraft program for fiscal years 1999 and 2000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2023. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a Presidential Determination to allow for the use of funds from the U.S. Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund to meet urgent and unexpected needs of persons at risk due to the Kosovo crisis; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2024. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the President's determination regarding certification of the 28 major illicit narcotics producing and transit countries; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2025. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Department's annual report entitled "International Narcotics Control Strategy Report" for 1999; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2026. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Management Report under the Inspector General Act for the period from April 1, 1998 through September 30, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2027. A communication from the Director of the Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Integrity Act reports for each of the Executive Office of the President agencies, as required by the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2028. A communication from the President of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Foundation's consolidated annual report under the Inspector General Act and the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2029. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee for Purchase From People Who are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, a list of additions to and deletions from the Committee's Procurement List dated February 24, 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2030. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, a report entitled "Poor Performers in Government: A Quest for the True Story"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.