

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 807. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide portability of service credit to persons who leave employment with the Federal Reserve Board to take positions with other Government agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 819. An act to authorize appropriations for the Federal Maritime Commission for fiscal years 2000 and 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 858. An act to amend title 11, District of Columbia Code, to extend coverage under the whistleblower protection provisions of the District of Columbia Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978 to personnel of the courts of the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following concurrent resolution was read and placed on the calendar:

H. Con. Res. 24. Concurrent resolution expressing congressional opposition to the unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state and urging the President to assert clearly United States opposition to such a unilateral declaration of statehood.

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-2222. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans: Oregon" (FRL6307-5) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2223. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans: Kentucky; Approval of Revisions to Basic Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program" (FRL6307-8) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2224. 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 "Approval of Section 112(1) Authority for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Chromium Emissions from Hard and Decorative Chromium Electroplating and Chromium Anodizing Tanks; State of California" (FRL6236-9) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2225. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plan; Illinois" (FRL6308-2) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2226. 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 "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plan; Ohio: Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Ohio" (FRL6234-3) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2227. 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 regarding emissions standards for furniture coating operations and ship building and repair operations in Texas (FRL6239-5) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2228. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Uniformed Financial Reporting Standards for HUD Housing Programs; Technical Amendment" received on February 9, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2229. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disposition of HUD-Acquired Single Family Property; Final Rule" received on February 9, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2230. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Submission of Required Data by Multifamily Mortgagees to Report Mortgage Delinquencies, Defaults, Reinstatements, Assignment Elections, and Withdrawals of Assignment Elections" (FR-4303) received on February 9, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2231. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nondiscrimination in Programs and Activities Receiving Assistance Under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974" (FR-4092) received on February 9, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2232. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Due Date of First Annual Performance Report Under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996" (RIN2577-AB93) received on February 9, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2233. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Home Equity Conversion Mortgages; Consumer Protection Measures Against Excessive Fees" (FR-4306) received on February 9, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2234. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import

Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of a financial guarantee to support the sale of two Boeing 737-700 aircraft to Royal Air Maroc; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2235. A communication from the Managing Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's report on base salary structures for Executive and Graded employees for 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2236. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (Docket FEMA-7707) received on March 10, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2237. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weapons of Mass Destruction Trade Control Regulations: Implementation of Executive Order 13094" received on February 17, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2238. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report on the impact of the requirements for double-hull tankers; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2239. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on Department of Defense reimbursement of contractor environmental response action costs; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2240. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Endangered Status for *Catesbaea melanocarpa*" (RIN1018-AE48) received on March 12, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 243: A bill to authorize the construction of the Perkins County Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-18).

S. 291: A bill to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District (Rept. No. 106-19).

S. 292: A bill to preserve the cultural resources of the Route 66 corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance (Rept. No. 106-20).

S. 356: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and designated lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-21).

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

S. 366: A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro as a National Historic Trail (Rept. No. 106-22).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 382: A bill to establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-23).

H.R. 171: A bill to authorize appropriations for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in New Jersey, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-24).

H.R. 193: A bill to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (Rept. No. 106-25).

By Mr. CHAFEE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

H.R. 92: A bill to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse."

H.R. 158: A bill to designate the Federal Courthouse located at 316 North 26th Street in Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin Federal Courthouse."

H.R. 233: A bill to designate the Federal building located at 700 East San Antonio Street in El Paso, Texas, as the "Richard C. White Federal Building."

H.R. 396: A bill to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building."

S. 67: A bill to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Robert C. Weaver Federal Building."

S. 272: A bill to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building."

S. 392: A bill to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at West 920 Riverside Avenue, in Spokane, Washington, as the "Thomas S. Foley Federal Building and United States Courthouse," and the plaza at the south entrance of that building and courthouse as the "Walter F. Horan Plaza."

S. 437: A bill to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 338 Las Vegas Boulevard South in Las Vegas, Nevada, as the "Lloyd D. George United States Courthouse."

S. 453: A bill to designate the Federal building located at 709 West 9th Street in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building."

S. 460: A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 401 South Michigan Street in South Bend, Indiana, as the "Robert K. Rodibaugh United States Bankruptcy Courthouse."

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committee were submitted:

By Mr. CHAFEE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works:

Gary S. Guzy, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Anne Jeannette Udall, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of

the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2004.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed, subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

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. BINGAMAN:

S. 638. A bill to provide for the establishment of a School Security Technology Center and to authorize grants for local school security programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S. 639. A bill to prevent truancy and reduce juvenile crime; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S. 640. A bill to establish a pilot program to promote the replication of recent successful juvenile crime reduction strategies; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SARBANES (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. DODD, and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 641. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to provide for enhanced information regarding credit card balance payment terms and conditions, and to provide for enhanced reporting of credit card solicitations to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and to Congress, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BURNS, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. HATCH, Mr. KERREY, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. HAGEL, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. GRAMS):

S. 642. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for Farm and Ranch Risk Management Accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. 643. A bill to authorize the Airport Improvement Program for 2 months, and for other purposes; read twice.

By Mr. INOUE:

S. 644. A bill for the relief of Sergeant Philip Anthony Gibbs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 645. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to waive the oxygen content requirement for reformulated gasoline that results in no greater emissions of air pollutants than reformulated gasoline meeting the oxygen content requirement; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ROTH (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 646. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide increased retirement savings opportunities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MACK (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 647. A bill to provide for the appointment of additional Federal district judges in the State of Florida, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 648. A bill to provide for the protection of employees providing air safety information; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ROTH (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 649. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide increased retirement savings opportunities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WELLSTONE (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 650. A bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to provide for coverage under that Act of employees of the Federal Government; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S. 651. A bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to modify the provisions relating to citations and penalties; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S. 652. A bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to protect employees against reprisals from employers based on certain employee conduct concerning safe and healthy working conditions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S. 653. A bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to further protect the safety and health of employees; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WELLSTONE:

S. 654. A bill to strengthen the rights of workers to associate, organize and strike, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LOTT (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. BURNS, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. FRIST, Mr. MACK, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. INHOPE, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. GRAMS):

S. 655. A bill to establish nationally uniform requirements regarding the titling and registration of salvage, nonrepairable, and rebuilt vehicles; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BOND, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CAMPBELL, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GORTON, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HELMS, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOPE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KYL, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MACK, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. REID, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROTH, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. THURMOND, and Mr. WARNER):

S.J. Res. 14. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of