

law, a report relative to a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2859. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to various management concerns; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2860. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to various management concerns; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2861. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the fiscal year 1999 National Defense Authorization Act; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2862. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Patriot PAC-3 major defense acquisition program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2863. A communication from the Under Secretary of the Navy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a decision to study certain functions for possible performance by private contractors; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2864. A communication from the Alternate Office of the Secretary of Defense Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "OSD Privacy Program", received April 27, 1999; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2865. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Market Regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Form BDW and related rules 15b1-1, 15b3-1, 15b6-1, 15Ba2-2, 15Bc3-1, 15Ca1-1 and 15Cc1-1 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934" (RIN3235-AG69), received May 3, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2866. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to a non-profit education foundation; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-2867. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to amending the Packers and Stockyards Act of 1921; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2868. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Peanut Production, Research and Information Order; Referendum Procedures" (Docket No. FV-98-703-FR), received on April 30, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2869. A communication from the Deputy Executive Secretariat, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Assistance for Needy Families" (RIN0970-AB77), received on April 22, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2870. A communication from the Board of Trustees, Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and Disability Insurance Trust Funds, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 1999 annual report; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2871. A communication from the Board of Trustees, Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund, transmitting, pursuant to law,

the 1999 annual report; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2872. A communication from the Board of Trustees, Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 1999 annual report; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2873. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2874. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Medicare prospective payment system; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2875. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Chiropractic Services in Medicare HMOs and Medicare+Choice (M+C) Organizations"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2876. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Medicare Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Evaluation"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2877. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Early Implementation of the Welfare-to-Work Grants Program"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2878. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Child Support Enforcement Program; Grants to States for Access and Visitation Programs: Monitoring, Evaluation, and Reporting" (RIN0970-AB72); to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2879. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Office of Chief Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Significant Reduction in the Rate of Future Benefit Accrual" (RIN1545-AT78), received on April 22, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2880. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Office of Chief Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Announcement 99-40"; received on April 6, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2881. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Office of Chief Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Ruling 99-18", received on April 9, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2882. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Office of Chief Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Ruling 99-18", received on April 6, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2883. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Office of Chief Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure 99-23", received on April 6, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committee were submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

The following named officer for appointment as Commander, Atlantic Area, United States Coast Guard, and to the grade indicated under title 14, U.S.C., section 50:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. John E. Shkor, 0602

Captain Evelyn J. Fields, NOAA for appointment to the grade of Rear Admiral (O-8), while serving in a position of importance and responsibility as Director, Office of NOAA Corp Operations, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, under the provisions of Title 33, United States Code, Section 853u.

Captain Nicholas A. Prael, NOAA for appointment to the grade of Rear Admiral (O-7), while serving in a position of importance and responsibility as Director, Atlantic and Pacific Marine Centers, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, under the provisions of Title 33, United States Code, Section 853u.

(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.)

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS of March 8, 1999 and April 15, 1999, at the end of the Senate proceedings, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar, that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Coast Guard nomination of James W. Bartlett, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of March 8, 1999.

Coast Guard nomination beginning William L. Chaney, and ending William E. Shea, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of March 8, 1999.

Coast Guard nomination beginning Ashley B. Aclin, and ending Michael J. Zeruto, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of April 15, 1999.

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. HOLLINGS (for himself, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. INOUE, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. THURMOND, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CLELAND, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 959. A bill to establish a National Ocean Council, a Commission on Ocean Policy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 960. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to establish pension counseling