Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District, Proposition 5—received on August 28, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-10518. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, a draft of the proposed legislative text entitled “National Education Research and Statistics Act of 2000”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10519. A communication from the Acting Deputy Solicitor, Office of the Solicitor, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Legal Process: Testimony of Employees and Production of Records” (RIN1090-AA76) received on August 28, 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-10520. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule concerning a new procedure for payment of certain immigrant visa fees received on August 24, 2000; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-10521. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Notice 2000–48 Per Diem Rate Updates” (Notice 2000–48) received on August 24, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-10522. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Notice 2000–49: Clarification of Schedule P (Form 1120–FSC)” (Notice 2000–49) received on August 25, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-10523. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Notice 2000–50: Proposed Amendments to the Tax Treatment of Certain Payments” (Rev. Rul. 2000–47) received on August 25, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-10524. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Petitions for Relief: Seizures, Penalties and Liquidated Damages” (RIN1515–AC01) received on August 28, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were referred or ordered to be placed upon the calendar as indicated:

POM-612. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts relative to the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Act of 1998; to the Committee on Appropriations.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Congress passed the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Act of 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Act was passed to provide for compassionate payments to individuals with blood-clotting disorders; and

WHEREAS, in its review of the events surrounding the HIV infection of thousands of people with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, a 1995 study, entitled “HIV and the Blood Supply”, of the Institute of Medicine found a failure of leadership and inadequate institutional decision-making process in the system responsible for ensuring blood safety; concluded that the failure of leadership led to less than effective donor screening, weak regulatory actions and insufficient communication to patients about the risk of AIDS; and

WHEREAS, this legislation, named after a teenage hemophiliac who died from AIDS, was introduced to provide for compassionate payments to the families of hemophiliacs who were devastated by the Federal Government’s policy failure in the handling of the AIDS epidemic; and

WHEREAS, now that the relief bill has been signed into law by the President, Congress has been reticent to fund it; Now, therefore,

Resolved, That the Massachusetts Senate urges the Congress of the United States to fully fund the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Act of 1998 in the year 2000 so that there is no delay between the authorization and timely appropriation of this relief; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be transmitted forthwith by the clerk of the Senate to the President of the United States, the presiding officer of each branch of Congress and the members thereof from this commonwealth.

POM-613. A resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of Surf City relative to the dumping of dredged material; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-614. A resolution adopted by the Township of Manchester, New Jersey relative to the “Mud Dump Site”; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-615. A resolution adopted by the City Council of Portsmouth, Ohio relative to the Uranium Enrichment Plant; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

POM-616. A resolution adopted by the House of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts relative to lower gasoline prices; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Resolved, That the Massachusetts House of Representatives urges the Congress of the United States to take any and all appropriate action to lower gasoline prices; and

WHEREAS, gasoline prices have skyrocketed over the past several months, and in some instances, the price per gallon at the pump has increased over 50 percent resulting in gasoline prices that are at historically high levels; and

WHEREAS, an undue hardship has been placed upon senior citizens, fixed income earners, and persons dependent upon automobile transportation; and

WHEREAS, the inexplicable jump in gasoline prices will increase the cost of public transportation; and

WHEREAS, the dramatic rise in gasoline prices has had a corrosive effect on all transportation goods, thus increasing the cost of living for not only the residents of the commonwealth, but also for all Americans; Therefore be it

Resolved, The House of Representatives urges the Congress of the United States to initiate any and all appropriate actions to lower gasoline prices; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded by the clerk of the House of Representatives to the presiding officer of each branch of Congress and the members thereof from the commonwealth.

POM-617. A resolution adopted by the City Council of Ann Arbor, relative to the economic sanctions against Iraq; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

POM-618. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Guam relative to clemency; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

WHEREAS, Mr. Alejandro "Al" Lizama, known to his friends and the large number of civic and community organizations as “Al,” was arrested and sentenced to a year in prison for charges stemming from an incident at the U.S. District Court of Guam; and

WHEREAS, “Al” is a Historic Preservation Specialist II employed with the Historic Resources Division of the Guam Department of Parks and Recreation, devoting his life work to the study, documentation and preservation of the Chamorro culture through art, research and outreach; and

WHEREAS, “Al,” during his over twenty-five (25) years of service as an employee of the Guam Department of Parks and Recreation, has shared this knowledge with the military and federal community, including those from the Department of the Air Force, the Department of Defense school system, and the Navy Family Service Center, voluntarily conducting “Welcome to Guam Orientation” programs and other outreach programs; and

WHEREAS, “Al” is the recipient of countless letters of appreciation, voluntary service awards and certificates of appreciation, including those from Major General Richard T. Swope USAF Commanding Officer, Thirteenth Air Force; Colonel Stephen M. McClain, USAF Commander, 633d Air Base Wing; Commander D.L. Metzig, U.S. Navy, Director of Navy Family Service Center; and Principal Steven Dozier, Guam Department of Defense High School, for his many hours of voluntary service to their community.

WHEREAS, in 1994, “Al” was selected and recognized as one of Ten Employees of the Year by the “Magnificent Seven Recognition Program,” a prestigious event which recognized individuals and groups for their achievements and contributions in the service of the government of Guam; and

WHEREAS, “Al” is one of just four (4) nominees for the 2000 “Governor’s Award of Excellence,” recognized for his innumerable contributions to the community over the years, including, but not limited to, volunteering his time to speak to students and members of the Community in outreach programs about the significance of preserving one’s culture and past; and

WHEREAS, “Al” is an accomplished artist whose many donated artworks appear proudly displayed in all four branches of the Island; and

WHEREAS, “Al” was awarded the “Bronze Star Medal” for valor, the “Combat Infantry’s Badge” and other campaign medals for his military service and achievement during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, “Al” suffers from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (“PTSD”) and was accepted to participate in the Hilo, Hawaii Residen- tial Rehabilitative Program in Hilo, Hawaii, to deal with the trauma scars acquired during his service to our Country in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, it would be against the interests of both “Al” and the Island Community, and

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WHEREAS, it would be against the interests of both “Al” and the Island Community, and
would not advance the cause of justice and retribution to be incarcerated for a full year; now therefore, be it
Resolved, That I Mina Bente Singko Na Lihesiaturan Guahan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, respectfully request that clemency be granted to Veteran Alejandro T.B. Liza by President William J. Clinton, that his sentence be commuted and that he be released and returned to Guam; and be it further
Resolved, That the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attests to, the adoption by the Congress of Guam of the resolution heretofore transmitted to the Honorable William J. Clinton, President of the United States of America; to the President of the United States Senate; to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives; to the Secretary General of the United Nations; to the National Organization for the Advancement of Chamoru People; to the Honorable Congressman Robert A. Underwood, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Carl T.C. Gutierrez, I Maggihan Guahan.

POM-619. A resolution adopted by the Town Council, Pago Pago, New Guinea, relative to prescription drug benefit enhancement; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES RECEIVED DURING RECESS
Under the authority of the order of the Senate of July 26, 2000, the following reports of committees were submitted on August 25, 2000:

By Mr. JEFFORDS, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:
S. 25: A bill to amend the National and Community Service Act of 1990 and the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 to extend the authorizations of appropriations for the programs carried out under such Acts and other purposes (Rept. No. 106-365).

By Mr. SMITH, of New Hampshire, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:
S. 522: A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of beaches and coastal recreation water, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-366).

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:
S. 1148: A bill to provide for the Yankton Sioux Tribe and the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska certain benefits of the Missouri River Basin Pick-Sloan project, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-367).

By Mr. SMITH, of New Hampshire, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:
S. 1958: A bill to authorize the construction of a Reconciliation Place in Fort Pierre, South Dakota, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-368).

By Mr. SMITH, of New Hampshire, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2878: A bill to commemorate the centennial of the establishment of the first national wildlife refuge in the United States on March 14, 1903, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-370).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:
S. 134: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study whether the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore should be proclaimed as a wilderness area (Rept. No. 106-371).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:
S. 729: A bill to ensure that Congress and the public have the right to participate in the declaration of national monuments on federal land (Rept. No. 106-372).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:
S. 1612: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain irrigation project property to certain irrigation and reclamation districts in the State of Nebraska (Rept. No. 106-373).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:
S. 1643: A bill to authorize the addition of certain parcels to the Effigy Mounds National Monument (Rept. No. 106-374).

S. 1972: A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the town of Dolores, Colorado, the current site of the Joe Rowell Park (Rept. No. 106-375).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:
Report to accompany S. 2279, A bill to authorize the addition of land to Sequoia National Park, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-376).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:
S. 2300: A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to increase the maximum acreage of Federal leases for coal that may be held by an entity (Rept. No. 106-377).

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:
S. 2343: A bill to amend the National Historic Preservation Act for the purposes of establishing a national historic lighthouse preservation program (Rept. No. 106-380).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:
S. 2499: A bill to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Pennsylvania (Rept. No. 106-381).

By Mr. McCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

By Mr. BOND, from the Committee on Small Business, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

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S. 2438: A bill to provide for enhanced safety, public awareness, and environmental protection in pipeline transportation, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-387).


By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:
S. 2051: A bill to revise the boundaries of the National Park and Recreation District, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-389).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, without amendment:
S. 2301: A bill to amend the United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Trade Commission Act to authorize the issuance of electronic warehouse receipts, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-390).

By Mr. McCAIN, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, without amendment:
S. 2397: A bill to reauthorize and amend the Commodity Exchange Act to promote legal certainty, enhance competition, and reduce systemic risk in markets for futures and over-the-counter derivatives, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-391).

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, without amendment:
S. 2498: A bill to amend the United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to collect fees, extend the authorization of appropriations, and improve the administration of that Act, to amend the United States Warehouse Act to authorize the issuance of electronic warehouse receipts, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-392).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:
S. 1349: A bill to establish the Saint Helena Island National Scenic Area (Rept. No. 106-393).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:
S. 1137: A bill to establish the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-394).

H. R. 992: A bill to convert the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-395).

H. R. 1695: A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal public lands in the Lake Mead Valley, Nevada, to Clark County, Nevada, for the development of an airport facility, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-396).

By Mr. SMITH, of New Hampshire, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment: