

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11204. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; CSX Railroad Bridge (South Fork of the New River), Ft. Lauderdale, Broward County, FL (CGD07-00-092)" (RIN2115-AE47) (2000-0051) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11205. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allowing Alternative Source to Incandescent Light in Private Aids to Navigation (USCG-2000-7466)" (RIN2115-AF98) (2000-0001) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11206. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Traffic Separation Scheme; In the Approaches to Los Angeles-Long Beach, California (USCG-2000-7695)" (RIN2115-AF99) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11207. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendments; Organizational Changes; Miscellaneous Editorial Changes and Conforming Amendments (USCG-2000-7790)" (RIN2115-ZZ02) (2000-0002) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11208. A communication from the Acting Secretary of the Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appliance Labeling Rule, 16 C.F.R. Part 305" (RIN3084-AA74) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11209. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Application of New Standards or Technologies to Reduce Aircraft Noise Levels; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. JEFFORDS, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with amendments:

S. 2731: A bill to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to enhance the Nation's capacity to address public health threats and emergencies (Rept. No. 106-505).

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs:

Report to accompany S. 2917, a bill to settle the land claims of the Pueblo of Santo Domingo (Rept. No. 106-506).

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Marjory E. Searing, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service.

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's 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 times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. GREGG, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 3212. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ALLARD (for himself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 3213. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an individual to designate \$3 or more on their income tax return to be used to reduce the public debt; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GREGG (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 3214. A bill to amend the Assets for Independence Act (Title IV of the Community Opportunities, Accountability, and Training and Educational Services Act of 1998) to enhance program flexibility, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 3215. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize women's health research award programs conducted through the National Institutes of Health; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 3216. A bill to provide for review in the Court of International Trade of certain determinations of binational panels under the North American Free Trade Agreement; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3217. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for individuals who are residents of the District of Columbia a maximum rate of tax of 15 percent on income from sources within the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCONNELL:

S. 3218. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to exclude beverage alcohol compounds emitted from aging warehouses from the definition of volatile organic compounds; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. BYRD, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. ROBB, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. CLELAND, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. REED, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BOND, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. KERRY, Mr. MILLER, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WELLSTONE, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 378. A resolution honoring the members of the crew of the guided missile destroyer U.S.S. *Cole* (DDG-67) who were killed or wounded in the terrorist bombing attack on that vessel in Aden, Yemen, on October 12, 2000, expressing the sympathies of the Senate to the families of those crew members, commending the ship's crew for their heroic damage control efforts, and condemning the bombing of that ship; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. ROBB, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. BOND, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. REED, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 379. A resolution memorializing the sailors of the Navy lost in the attack on the U.S.S. *Cole* (DDG-67) in the port of Aden, Yemen, on October 12, 2000; extending condolences to their families and other loved ones; extending sympathy to the members of the crew of that vessel who were injured in the attack and commending the entire crew for its performance and professionalism in saving the U.S.S. *Cole*; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. GREGG, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 3212. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

UPPER CONNECTICUT RIVER PARTNERSHIP ACT OF 2000

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I am pleased to introduce the Upper Connecticut River Partnership Act of 2000. This legislation is a truly locally-led initiative. I believe it will result in great environmental benefits for the Connecticut River.

The Connecticut River forms the border to New Hampshire and Vermont and provides for a great deal of recreational and tourism opportunities for residents of both States. This legislation takes a major step forward in making sure this River continues to thrive as a treasured resource.

To understand just how significant this legislation is, I would like to share with my colleagues some history about the Connecticut River program. In 1987-88, New Hampshire and Vermont each created a commission to address