MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills and joint resolution were referred to the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2626. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 57 West street in Newville, Pennsylvania, as the "Randall D. Shughart Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3730. An act to provide assistance to families affected by Hurricane Katrina, through the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families. A bill to provide the Secretary of Education with waiver authority for students who are eligible for Federal student grant assistance who are adversely affected by a major disaster. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8501 Philadelic Drive in Spring Hill, Florida, as the "Staif Sergeant Michael Schafer Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3736. An act to protect volunteers assisting the victims of Hurricane Katrina; to the Committee on Government Operations.

H.J. Res. 66. Joint resolution supporting the goals and ideas of "Lights On After-school!", a national celebration of after-school programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

S. 1219. A bill to authorize certain tribes in the State of Montana to enter into a lease or other temporary conveyance of water rights to meet the water needs of the Dry Prairie Rural Water Association, Inc; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

S. 1783. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the pension funding rules, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

at 2600 Oak Street in St. Charles, Illinois, as the "Jacob L. Frazier Post Office Building".

of draft legislation to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture, at the request of a participating State to convey to the State, by quitclaim deed, without consideration, any land or interests in land acquired within the State under the Forest Legacy Program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4015. A communication from the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Environmental Initiative for Fiscal Year 2004"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4016. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Preferred Stock" (RIN 0750-AC22) received on September 21, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4017. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amfirocarbon 314; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 7736-3) received on September 18, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4018. A communication from the Chief, Regulatory Review Group, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Collection of State Community Assessments" (RIN 05590-AC55) received on September 21, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4019. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus thuringiensis Cry3Aa Proteins and the Genetic Material Necessary for Their Production in Corn; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 7737-6) received on September 18, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4020. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Boscalid; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergence Exemptions" (FRL No. 7737-9) received on September 18, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4021. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inert Ingredients; Revocation of 34 Pesticide Tolerance Exemptions for 31 Chemicals" (FRL No. 7737-3) received on September 18, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4022. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iprodicarb; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 7736-2) received on September 18, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4023. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Determination to Stay and/or Revocation of a Tolerance; United States Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 7746-5) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4024. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Determination to Stay and/or Revocation of a Tolerance; United States Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 7746-5) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4025. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Lindane; Tolerance Adjustments" (FRL No. 7734-7) received on September 18, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4026. A communication from the Acting Associate Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Arizona; Correction of Designation of Phoenix to Attainment for the Carbon Monoxide Standard" (FRL No. 7660-8) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4027. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Arizona; Correction of Designation of Phoenix to Attainment for the Carbon Monoxide Standard" (FRL No. 7660-8) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4028. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Arizona; Correction of Designation of Phoenix to Attainment for the Carbon Monoxide Standard" (FRL No. 7660-8) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4029. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "American Samoa State Implementation Plan; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 7963-9) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4030. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Determination to Stay and/or Revocation of a Tolerance; United States Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 7746-5) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4031. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Iowa" (FRL No. 7967-5) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4032. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Determination to Stay and/or Revocation of a Tolerance; United States Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 7746-5) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
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EC-4033. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitlement “Revision to the Definition of Volatile Organic Compounds—Removal of VOC Exemptions for California’s Aerosol Coatings Reactivity-based Regulation” (FRL No. 7966-2) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4034. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Marine and Control of Emissions from Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incineration (CISWI) Units” (FRL No. 7966-7) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4035. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Announcement of the Delegation of Partial Authority for Implementation (CISWI) Units” (FRL No. 7966-4) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4036. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District” (FRL No. 7967-4) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4037. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Ocean Drugged Material Disposal Site Designation” (FRL No. 7967-7) received on September 7, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4038. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Announcement of the Delegation of Partial Authority for Implementation of Federal Implementation Plan for the Nez Perce Reservation to the Nez Perce Tribe” (FRL No. 7970-2) received on September 18, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Appropriations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 2863. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

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. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 1779. A bill to amend the Humane Methods of Livestock Slaughter Act of 1958 to ensure the humane slaughter of nonambulatory livestock, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mr. LIBERMAN, Mr. FRIST, Mr. HATCH, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mr. RUNNING):

S. 1780. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for charitable contributions by individuals and businesses, to improve the public disclosure of activities of exempt organizations, and to enhance the ability of the American people to gain financial security by building assets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 1781. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow full expensing for the cost of qualified refinery property in the year in which the property is placed in service, and to classify petroleum refining property as 5-year property for purposes of depreciation; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWNBACK:

S. 1782. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that qualified personal service corporations may continue to use the cash method of accounting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 1783. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the pension funding rules, and for other purposes; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mr. OBAMA):

S. 1784. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to promote a culture of safety within the health care system through the establishment of a National Medical Error Disclosure and Compensation Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CORKER (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. KOHL):

S. 1785. A bill to amend chapter 13 of title 17, United States Code (relating to the vessel hull design protection), to clarify the distinction between a hull and a deck, to provide factors for the determination of the protectability of a revised design, to provide guidance for assessments of substantial similarity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LOTITT (for himself, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. VITTER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. BURNETt):

S. 1786. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to make emergency airport improvement project grants-in-aid under title 49, United States Code, for airport repairs and costs related to damage from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; considered and passed.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. DEWINE):

S. 1787. A bill to provide bankruptcy relief for victims of natural disasters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 1788. A bill to amend section 521(g)(1) of title 11, United States Code, to predicate the discharge of debts in bankruptcy by any vermiculite mining company meeting certain criteria on the establishment of a health care trust fund for certain individuals suffering from an asbestos related disease; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. LANDRY:

S. J. Res. 27. A joint resolution authorizing special awards to World War I and World War II veterans of the United States Navy Armed Guard; to the Committee on Armed Services.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Mr. KOHL):

S. Res. 254. A resolution marking the dedication of the Gaylord Nelson Wilderness within the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. Res. 255. A resolution recognizing the achievements of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Waterfowl Population Survey; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. CLINTON, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. Res. 256. A resolution honoring the life of Sandra Feldman; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mr. PAUL):

S. Res. 257. A resolution recognizing the spirit of Jacob Mock Doub and many young people who have contributed to encouraging youth to be physically active and fit, and expressing support for “National Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day”; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself, Mr. REID, and Mr. BENNETT):

S. Res. 258. A resolution to commend Timothy Scott Wineman; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 259. A resolution commending the efforts of the Department of Veterans Affairs in responding to Hurricane Katrina; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. Con. Res. 54. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding a commemorative postage stamp honoring Jasper Francis Cropsey, the famous Staten Island-born 19th Century Hudson River Painter; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 258. At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 258, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to enhance research, training, and health information dissemination with respect to urologic diseases, and for other purposes.

S. 347. At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 347, a bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act and title III of the Public Health Service Act to improve access to information about individuals’ health care operations and legal rights for care near the end of life, to promote advance care planning and decision-making so that individuals’ wishes are known should they become unable to