

H.R. 5108. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1213 East Houston Street in Cleveland, Texas, as the "Lance Corporal Robert A. Martinez Post Office Building".

H.R. 6162. An act to require financial accountability with respect to certain contract actions related to the Secure Border Initiative of the Department of Homeland Security.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 222. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.

H. Con. Res. 473. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month.

At 8:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4954) to improve maritime and cargo security through enhanced layered defenses, and for other purposes; it agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the of the two Houses thereon, and appoints from the Committee on Homeland Security, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. KING of New York, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, Mr. LINDER, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. REICHERT, THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. HARMAN, and Mr. PASCRELL;

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce for consideration of titles VI and X and section 1104 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. UPTON, and Mr. DINGELL;

From the Committee on Science, for consideration of sections 201 and 401 of the House bill, and sections 111, 121, 302, 303, 305, 513, 607, 608, 706, 801, 802, and 1107 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. SODREL, and Mr. MELANCON;

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of sections 101-104, 107-109, and 204 of the House bill, and sections 101-104, 106-108, 111, 202, 232, 234, 235, 503, 507-512, 514, 517-519, title VI, sections 703, 902, 905, 906, 1103, 1104, 1107-1110, 1114, and 1115 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. SHUSTER, and Mr. OBERSTAR;

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of sections 102, 121, 201, 203 and 301 of the House bill, and sections 201, 203, 304, 401-404, 407, and 1105 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. THOMAS, Mr. SHAW, and Mr. RANGEL, as managers of the conference on the part of the House.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5132. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including in the National Park System certain sites in Monroe County, Michigan, relating to the Battles of the River Raisin during the War of 1812.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

S. 3982. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide assured compensation for first responders injured by experimental vaccines and drugs.

S. 3983. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide assured compensation for first responders injured by experimental vaccines and drugs and to indemnify manufacturers and health care professional for the administration of medical products needed for biodefense.

S. 3992. A bill to amend the Exchange Rates and International Economic Policy Coordination Act of 1998 to clarify the definition of manipulation with respect to currency, and for other purposes.

S. 3993. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for aiming laser pointers at airplanes, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, September 28, 2006, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 176. An act to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska.

S. 244. An act to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming.

S. 3850. An act to improve ratings quality for the protection of investors and in the public interest by fostering accountability, transparency, and competition in the credit rating agency industry.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-8463. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8464. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deepwater Ports" ((RIN1625-AA20)(USCG-1998-3884)) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8465. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant

to law, a certification regarding the proposed transfer of major defense equipment valued (in terms of its original acquisition cost) at \$14,000,000 or more from the Government of the Netherlands to the Government of Chile; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8466. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a certification regarding the proposed transfer of major defense equipment valued (in terms of its original acquisition cost) at \$14,000,000 or more from the Government of the United Kingdom to the Government of Chile; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8467. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8468. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad (Sweden); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8469. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a certification regarding the proposed transfer of major defense equipment valued (in terms of its original acquisition cost) at \$14,000,000 or more from the Republic of Germany to the Republic of Korea; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8470. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the termination of the 15% Danger Pay Allowance for East Timor as of August 20, 2006; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8471. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Partial Lifting of Arms Embargo Against Haiti" (22 CFR Part 126) received on September 27, 2006; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8472. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad and the export of defense articles or defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Italy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8473. A communication from the Staff Director, Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the appointment of members to the Connecticut Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

H.R. 1463. A bill to designate a portion of the Federal building located at 2100 Jamieson Avenue, in Alexandria, Virginia, as the "Justin W. Williams United States Attorney's Building".

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. THOMAS (for himself and Mr. SPECTER):

S. 3963. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for improved access to cost-effective, quality physical medicine and rehabilitation services under part B of the Medicare program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LOTT:

S. 3964. A bill to provide for the issuance of a commemorative postage stamp in honor of Senator Blanche Kelso Bruce; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3965. A bill to address the serious health care access barriers, and consequently higher incidences of disease, for low-income, uninsured populations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3966. A bill to provide assistance to State and nongovernmental entities to initiate public awareness and outreach campaigns to reduce teenage pregnancies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. 3967. A bill to require the International Trade Commission to report on the specific impact of each free trade agreement in force with respect to the United States on a sector-by-sector basis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3968. A bill to affirm the authority of the Comptroller General to audit and evaluate the programs, activities, and financial transactions of the intelligence community, and for other purposes; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

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

S. 3969. A bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to assess and reduce the levels of lead found in child-occupied facilities in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ALLEN:

S. 3970. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to direct the President to establish an energy security working group; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. LOTT, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. COLEMAN):

S. 3971. A bill to hold the current regime in Iran accountable for its threatening behavior and to support a transition to democracy in Iran; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BURR, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3972. A bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to reduce funding shortfalls for the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. DOLE, and Mr. BOND):

S. 3973. A bill to ensure local governments have the flexibility needed to enhance deci-

sion-making regarding certain mass transit projects; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BUNNING (for himself and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 3974. A bill to permit a special amortization deduction for intangible assets acquired from eligible small businesses to take account of the actual economic useful life of such assets and to encourage growth in industries for which intangible assets are an important source of revenue; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 3975. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to promote positive health behaviors in women and children; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 3976. A bill to provide a mechanism for the determination on the merits of the claims of claimants who met the class criteria in a civil action relating to racial discrimination by the Department of Agriculture but who were denied that determination; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. OBAMA):

S. 3977. A bill to provide a Federal income tax credit for Patriot employers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. 3978. A bill to provide consumer protections for lost or stolen check cards and debit cards similar to those provided with respect to credit cards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 3979. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the North Country National Scenic Trail; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. REED, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 3980. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Secretary of Education, to develop a policy for managing the risk of food allergy and anaphylaxis in schools, to establish school-based food allergy management grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 3981. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to establish requirements for certain petitions submitted to the Food and Drug Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 3982. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide assured compensation for first responders injured by experimental vaccines and drugs; read the first time.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 3983. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide assured compensation for first responders injured by experimental vaccines and drugs and to indemnify manufacturers and health care professional for the administration of medical products needed for biodefense; read the first time.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 3984. A bill to improve programs for the identification and treatment of post-deployment mental health conditions, including post-traumatic stress disorder, in veterans

and members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3985. A bill to promote the recovery of oil and gas revenues on the Outer Continental Shelf, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ALLARD:

S. 3986. A bill to designate as wilderness certain land within the Rocky Mountain National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ISAKSON:

S. 3987. A bill to amend the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act to improve the compensation system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. OBAMA:

S. 3988. A bill to amend title 10 and 38, United States Code, to improve benefits and services for members of the Armed Forces, veterans of the Global War on Terrorism, and other veterans, to require reports on the effects of the Global War on Terrorism, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. 3989. A bill to establish a Homeland Security and Neighborhood Safety Trust Fund and refocus Federal priorities toward securing the Homeland, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. COLEMAN (for himself and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 3990. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 216 Oak Street in Farmington, Minnesota, as the "Hamilton H. Judson Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. BURNS, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. INOUE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. OBAMA, and Mr. REID):

S. 3991. A bill to provide emergency agricultural disaster assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. BUNNING:

S. 3992. A bill to amend the Exchange Rates and International Economic Policy Coordination Act of 1998 to clarify the definition of manipulation with respect to currency, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. MARTINEZ:

S. 3993. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for aiming laser pointers at airplanes, and for other purposes; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. Res. 589. A resolution commending New York State Senator John J. Marchi on his 50 years in the New York State Senate and on becoming the longest serving state legislator in the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.