EC-1466. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to expand the sales territory associated with a manufacturing license agreement for the production of significant military equipment (SME) in Turkey; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1467. A communication from the Acting Executive Secretary, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of designation of acting officer and change in previously submitted reported information in the position of Assistant Administrator of the Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2009; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1468. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Drug Applications and Abbreviated New Drug Applications; Technical Amendment" (Docket No. FDA-2009-N-0099) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1469. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Astringent Drug Products That Produce Aluminum Acetate; Skin Protectant Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use: Technical Amendment" (RIN0910-AF42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1470. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption; Vitamin D2" (Docket No. FDA-2007-F-0274) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1471. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption; Silver Nitrate and Hydrogen Peroxide" (Docket No. FDA-2005-F-0505) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1472. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Organization and Conforming Changes to Regulations" (Docket No. FDA-2009-N-0144) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1473. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel and Designated Reporting Official, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination in the position of Director of National Drug Control Policy, received in

the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1474. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2008 Wiretap Report"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1475. A communication from the Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, two reports entitled "Fiscal Year 2008 Performance Summary Report" and "Fiscal Year 2008 Accounting of Drug Control Funds"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1476. A communication from the Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to actions undertaken to address recommendations received in the fiscal year 2008 study completed by an independent Panel of the National Academy of Public Administration; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

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

\*Ronald C. Sims, of Washington, to be Deputy Secretary of Department of Housing and Urban Development.

\*Peter A. Kovar, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

\*John D. Trasvina, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

\*Helen R. Kanovsky, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

\*David S. Cohen, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, Department of the Treasury.

\*Fred P. Hochberg, of New York, to be President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2013.

\*Nomination was reported with 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 Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr.

MARTINEZ, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. KYL): S. 903. A bill to permit a State to elect to receive the State's contributions to the Highway Trust Fund in lieu of its Federalaid Highway program apportionment for the next fiscal year, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. KEN-NEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHU-MER, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 904. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to prohibit discrimination in the payment of wages on account of sex, race, or national origin, and for other

purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 905. A bill to provide for the granting of posthumous citizenship to certain aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence who died as a result of the shootings at the American Civic Association Community Center in Binghamton, New York on April 3, 2009, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mrs. McCASKILL):

S. 906. A bill to protect older Americans from misleading and fraudulent marketing practices, with the goal of increasing retirement security; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BAYH, Mr. GREGG, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. WAR-NER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BENNET, Mr. JOHANNS, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 907. A bill to establish procedures for the expedited consideration by Congress of certain proposals by the President to rescind amounts of budget authority; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. BAYH (for himself, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Lieberman, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Burr, Mr. Feingold, Mr. Thune, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Collins, Mr. Brownback, Mr. Johanns, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Risch, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Graham, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Bond, Mr. Inhofe, Ms. Klobuchar, and Mr. Coburn):

S. 908. A bill to amend the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 to enhance United States diplomatic efforts with respect to Iran by expanding economic sanctions against Iran; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. Collins, Mr. Specter, Mr. Schumer, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CARDIN, KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. Mrs GILLIBRAND, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. REED, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. DODD, Mr. BAYH, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Casey, Mr. John-SON, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. CANT-WELL, and Mr. AKAKA)):

S. 909. A bill to provide Federal assistance to States, local jurisdictions, and Indian tribes to prosecute hate crimes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. MARTINEZ, and Mr. BROWN):

S. 910. A bill to amend the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, to provide for additional monitoring and accountability of the Troubled Asset Relief Program; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. 911. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to prohibit prepayment penalties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. 912. A bill to prohibit yield spread premiums, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.