Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2120. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Marinette Marine Vessel Launch, Marinette, Wisconsin" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USG-2009-0462)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 22, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2121. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Navigation and Navigable Waters; Technical, Organizations and Conforming Amendments' ((RIN1625-ZA23)(Docket No. USG-2009-0416)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 22, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2122. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Risk Management Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Common Crop Insurance Regulations: Basic Provisions; Enterprise Unit Revisions" (RIN0563-AC23) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 24, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2123. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting legislative proposals relative to including as part of the National Defense Authorization Bill for fiscal year 2010, including one relative to the one-year extension of authority to provide additional support for counter-drug activities of certain foreign governments, and one relative to the establishment of a defense coalition support fund to maintain inventory of critical items for coalition partners, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 18, 2009; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2124. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting a legislative proposal relative to including as part of the National Defense Authorization Bill for fiscal year 2010, relative to the authority to order Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, and Air Force Reserve to active duty to provide assistance in response to a major disaster or emergency, received in the Office of the Senate on June 24, 2009; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2125. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting legislative proposals relative to including as part of the National Defense Authorization Bill for fiscal year 2010, including one relative to the Air Force Academy Athletic Association, and one relative to the responsibility for preparation of Biennial Global Positioning System Report, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 24, 2009; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2126. A communication from the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2008 Management Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2127. A communication from the First Vice President and Controller, Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2008 Management Report and report on the system of internal controls; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2128. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Land and Minerals Management, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Required Fees for Mining Claims or Sites" (RIN1004–AE09) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 24, 2009; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2129. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tribal Economic Development Bonds" (Notice 2009-51) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 25, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2130. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from Santa Susana Field Laboratory-Area IV, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2131. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from Standard Oil Development Company, Linden, New Jersey, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2132. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting legislative proposals relative to including as part of the National Defense Authorization Bill for fiscal year 2010, including one relative to the authority to transfer defense articles no longer needed in Iraq and to provide defense services to the Security Forces of Iraq, Afghanistan, and Pakistan; one relative to building the capacity of Coalition partners; and one relative to building the capacity of NATO and Partner Special Operations Forces, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 18, 2009; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2133. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the termination of Danger Pay for U.S. Government personnel serving in Banja Luka and Other, Bosnia-Herzegovina based on improved conditions; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2134. A communication from the Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, transmitting, its request for participation in a study on parliamentary oversight; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2135. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer of the Regulations and Rulings Division, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Upper Mississippi River Valley Viticultural Area (2007R-055P)" (RIN1513-AB40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 25, 2009; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2136. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer of the Regulations and Rulings Division, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Statutory Amendments Requiring the Qualifications of Manufacturers and Importers of Processed Tobacco and Other Amendments Related to Permit Requirements, and the Expanded Definition on Roll-Your-Own Tobacco (T.D. TTB-78)" (RIN1513-AB72) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 25, 2009; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

H.R. 2847. A bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 111–34).

By Mr. DURBIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 1107. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for a limited 6-month period for Federal judges to opt into the Judicial Survivors' Annuities System and begin contributing toward an annuity for their spouse and dependent children upon their death, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

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

Raphael William Bostic, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

David H. Stevens, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

B. Todd Jones, of Minnesota, to be United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota for the term of four years.

John P. Kacavas, of New Hampshire, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

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. CHAMBLISS (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 1348. A bill to recognize the heritage of hunting and provide opportunities for continued hunting on Federal public land; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 1349. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify the deduction for use of a portion of a residence as a home office by providing an optional standard home office deduction; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 1350. A bill to encourage increased production of natural gas and liquified petroleum gas vehicles and to provide tax incentives for natural gas and liquefied petroleum gas vehicle infrastructure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. Brownback, Mr. Bunning, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Inhofe, and Mr. Vitter):