EC-3167. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Ohio; Redesignation of the Fulton County Area to Attainment of the 2008 Lead Standard" (FRL No. 9969-67-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3168. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Michigan; Regional Haze Progress Report" (FRL No. 9969-61-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3169. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Kentucky; Regional Haze Progress Report" (FRL No. 9969-26-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3170. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Illinois; Regional Haze Progress Report" (FRL No. 9969-64-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3171. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Georgia; Cross-State Air Pollution Rule" (FRL No. 9969-30-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3172. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Georgia; New Source Review Updates" (FRL No. 9969-43-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3173. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Florida; Stationary Sources Emissions Monitoring" (FRL No. 9969-39-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3174. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Florida; Interstate Transport (Prongs 1 and 2 for the 2010 1-hour NO2 Standard)" (FRL No. 9969-20-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3175. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Connecticut; Nonattainment New Source Review Permit Requirements for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9969-54-Region 1) received in

the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3176. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; AL; VOC Definitions and Particulate Emissions" (FRL No. 9969-36-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3177. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; AL; VOC Definitions and Particulate Emissions" (FRL No. 9969-35-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3178. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Alabama; PSD Replacement Units" (FRL No. 9969-22-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3179. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; South Carolina; Standards for Volatile Organic Compounds and Oxides of Nitrogen" (FRL No. 9969-31-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3180. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; North Carolina; Transportation Conformity" (FRL No. 9969-28-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3181. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Alabama; Transportation Conformity" (FRL No. 9969-24-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3182. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Alabama; Transportation Conformity" (FRL No. 9969-25-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3183. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Import Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological and Ethnological Materials from the Republic of Mali" (RIN1515-AE32) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 15, 2017; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3184. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Health, United States, 2016"; to the Com-

mittee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3185. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmiting, pursuant to law, the second semi-annual report of fiscal year 2016 of the Department of Justice's Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties; to the Committees on the Judiciary; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; and Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-3186. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmiting, pursuant to law, the first semi-annual report of fiscal year 2016 of the Department of Justice's Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties; to the Committees on the Judiciary; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; and Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-3187. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards; Adoption of 2017 North American Industry Classification System for Size Standards" (RIN3245-AG84) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2017; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-3188. A communication from the Executive Analyst (Political), Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Secretary of Health and Human Services, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2017; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs without amendment:

H.R. 194. A bill to ensure the effective processing of mail by Federal agencies, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115–176).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. ROBERTS for the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. $\,$

*Gregory Ibach, of Nebraska, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.

*William Northey, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services.

By Mr. GRASSLEY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Annemarie Carney Axon, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

Michael Lawrence Brown, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia.

Thomas Alvin Farr, of North Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

William M. Ray II, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia.

John C. Demers, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Scott C. Blader, of Wisconsin, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin for the term of four years.