

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Cuccia, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1635. An act to amend the loan counseling requirements under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4969. An act to improve the design and construction of diplomatic posts, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5274. An act to promote international exchanges on best election practices, cultivate more secure democratic institutions around the world, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5576. An act to address state-sponsored cyber activities against the United States, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 12:52 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 5385. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program of payments to children's hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5772. An act to designate the J. Marvin Jones Federal Building and Courthouse in Amarillo, Texas, as the "J. Marvin Jones Federal Building and Mary Lou Robinson United States Courthouse".

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 1:48 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4318. An act to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

At 4:48 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6147) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the

fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and that the following Members be the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Messrs. FRELINGHUYSEN, ADERHOLT, SIMPSON, CALVERT, COLE, DIAZ-BALART, GRAVES of Georgia, YOUNG of Iowa, RUTHERFORD, Mrs. LOWEY, Messrs. PRICE of North Carolina, BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. QUIGLEY, and Ms. PINGREE.

At 5:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4606. An act to provide that applications under the Natural Gas Act for the importation or exportation of small volumes of natural gas shall be granted without modification or delay.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1635. An act to amend the loan counseling requirements under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 4606. An act to provide that applications under the Natural Gas Act for the importation or exportation of small volumes of natural gas shall be granted without modification or delay; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4969. An act to improve the design and construction of diplomatic posts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 5274. An act to promote international exchanges on best election practices, cultivate more secure democratic institutions around the world, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 5576. An act to address state-sponsored cyber activities against the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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-6366. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Sequestration Update Report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 2019"; to the Special Committee on Aging; Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Select Committee on Ethics; Finance; Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Indian Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6367. A communication from the Administrator of the Cotton and Tobacco Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cotton Board Rules and Regulations: Adjusting Supplemental Assessment on Imports (2018 Amendments)" ((7 CFR Part 1205) (Docket No. AMS-CN-18-0013)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6368. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to violations of the Antideficiency Act that occurred in the Department of Agriculture's Office of the Secretary Treasury Symbol Accounts; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6369. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Support of Special Events" (RIN0790-AK05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6370. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a report relative to additional fiscal year 2019 funding for the Department of Treasury; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6371. A communication from the Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the Annual Privacy Notice Requirement Under the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (Regulation P)" (RIN3170-AA60) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 30, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6372. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Rule to amend the Small Bank Holding Company and Savings and Loan Holding Company Policy Statement and related regulations; Changes to Reporting Requirements" (RIN7100-AF13) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 4, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6373. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Single-Counterparty Credit Limits for Bank Holding Companies and Foreign Banking Organizations" (RIN7100-AE48) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 4, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6374. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the progress made in licensing and constructing the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6375. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyber Security Incident Reporting Reliability Standards" ((18 CFR Part 40) (Docket No. RM18-2-000)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 4, 2018; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6376. 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; District of Columbia; State Implementation Plan for the