

We must keep America first in our hearts. We must keep freedom alive in our souls. And we must always keep faith in America's destiny—that one Nation, under God, must be the hope and the promise and the light and the glory among all the nations of the world!

Thank you. God Bless You, God Bless America, and good night!

DONALD J. TRUMP.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, February 5, 2019.

## MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 340. A bill to promote competition in the market for drugs and biological products by facilitating the timely entry of lower-cost generic and biosimilar versions of those drugs and biological products.

## 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-214. 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; Iowa; State Implementation Plan and Operating Permits" (FRL No. 9988-94-Region 7) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-215. 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; Oklahoma; Interstate Transport Requirements for the 1997 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9988-58-Region 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-216. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Interstate Transport Requirements for the 2010 1-Hour Sulfur Dioxide Standard" (FRL No. 9989-03-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-217. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Colorado; Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program and Associated Revisions" (FRL No. 9987-96-Region 8) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-218. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Imple-

mentation Plans; North Dakota; Revisions to Infrastructure Requirements for All National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Carbon Monoxide (CO); Lead (Pb); Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>); Ozone (O<sub>3</sub>); Particle Pollution (PM<sub>2.5</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>); Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>); Recodification" (FRL No. 9988-35-Region 8) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-219. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Recodification and Revisions to State Air Pollution Control Rules; North Dakota; Interim Approval of Title V Program Recodification and Revisions; Approval of Recodification and Revisions to State Programs and Delegation of Authority to Implement and Enforce Clean Air Act Sections 111 and 112 Standards and Requirements" (FRL No. 9988-39-Region 8) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-220. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Glycine Betaine; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9987-42-OCSPP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-221. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Friction Materials Manufacturing Facilities Residual Risk and Technology Review" (FRL No. 9988-69-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. GRASSLEY, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. Res. 40. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Finance.

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

S. Res. 41. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Armed Services, without amendment:

S. Res. 42. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. Res. 45. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. Res. 46. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S. 94. A bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States.

S. 163. A bill to prevent catastrophic failure or shutdown of remote diesel power engines due to emission control devices, and for other purposes.

S. 268. A bill to reauthorize the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program and certain wildlife conservation funds, to establish prize competitions relating to the prevention of wildlife poaching and trafficking, wildlife conservation, the management of invasive species, and the protection of endangered species, to amend the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 to modify the protections provided by that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 310. A bill to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BARRASSO for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

\*Nicole R. Nason, of New York, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration.

\*Andrew Wheeler, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

\*John Fleming, of Louisiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development.

\*John L. Ryder, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2021.

\*Peter C. Wright, of Michigan, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency.

By Mr. GRASSLEY for the Committee on Finance.

Elizabeth Darling, of Texas, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

Michael J. Desmond, of California, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.

Michael Faulkender, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Jeffrey Kessler, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

\*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.

(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. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. BROWN):

S. 329. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include fuel cells using electromechanical processes for purposes of the energy tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LANKFORD:

S. 330. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow charitable organizations to make statements relating to political campaigns if such statements are made