

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-1467. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyriofenone; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL 9993-11-OCSP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1468. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clofentezine; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL 9993-48-OCSP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1469. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2018 Operational Energy Annual Report"; to the Committees on Appropriations; and Armed Services.

EC-1470. 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 "Right to Financial Privacy Act" (RIN0790-AK01) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1471. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1472. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13712 of November 22, 2015, with respect to Burundi; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1473. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13851 of November 27, 2018, with respect to Nicaragua; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1474. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Belarus that was declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1475. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to North Korea that was declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1476. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, NeighborWorks America, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's fiscal year 2019 operating plan and performance goals; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1477. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Industry and Analysis, Bu-

reau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Certain New Controls on Emerging Technologies Agreed at Wassenaar Arrangement 2018 Plenary" (RIN0694-AH69) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1478. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Country Group Designations for Venezuela and Conforming Changes for License Requirements" (RIN0694-AH78) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1479. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Industry and Analysis, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary General License" (RIN0694-AH86) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1480. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations and Standards Branch, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oil and Gas and Sulfur Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf—Oil and Gas Production Safety Systems; Corrections" (RIN1014-AA37) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2019; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1481. A communication from the Division Director for Policy, Legislation, and Regulation, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Labor Certification Process for Temporary Employment in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CW-1 Workers)" (RIN1205-AB92) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2019; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1482. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Resacas Ecosystem Restoration Project in the vicinity of the City of Brownsville, Texas; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1483. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the navigational improvement project for the Norfolk Harbor, Virginia; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1484. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Little Colorado River at Winslow, Flood Risk Management Project, Navajo County, Arizona; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1485. 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; Massachusetts; Nonattainment New Source Review Program Revisions; Infrastructure Provisions for National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Nonattainment New Source Review Require-

ments for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9993-84-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1486. 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; Michigan, Permit to Install Public Hearing Provisions" (FRL No. 9994-64-Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1487. 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, Revision to the Regulatory Definition of a Volatile Organic Compound" (FRL No. 9994-42-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1488. 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; Pennsylvania; Commercial Fuel Oil Sulfur Limits for Combustion Units in Philadelphia County" (FRL No. 9994-40-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1489. 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 State Implementation Plan, Louisiana; Attainment Demonstration for the St. Bernard Parish 2010 SO<sub>2</sub> Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard Nonattainment Area: Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking" (FRL No. 9998-27-Region 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1490. 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 Source Specific Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Jersey" (FRL No. 9994-39-Region 2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1491. 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 and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan, Louisiana; Attainment Demonstration for the St. Bernard Parish 2010 SO<sub>2</sub> Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9993-79-Region 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1492. 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; AK; Updates to Curtailment Program" (FRL No. 9994-32-Region 10) received during adjournment of the

Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1493. 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; OR; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2015 Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9994-49-Region 10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 31, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1494. 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; Texas; Control of Air Pollution from Motor Vehicles" (FRL No. 9994-06-Region 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 31, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1495. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modifications to Fuel Regulations to Provide Flexibility for E15; Modifications to RFS RIN Market Regulations" (FRL No. 9994-87-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 31, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1496. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Toughness Fracture Requirements—Reactor Coolant Systems and Connected Systems" (NUREG-0800, Chapter 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1497. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Physical Security—Combined Licensing and Operating Reactors" (NUREG-0800, Chapter 13) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1498. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Operational Programs—Combined Licensing and Operating Reactors" (NUREG-0800, Chapter 13) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1499. A communication from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a draft Statement of Administrative Action (SSA) to implement the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) and a current copy of the final legal text; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1500. 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 "Current Refundings for Certain Targeted State, Local, and Indian Tribal Government Bond Programs" (Notice 2019-39) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1501. 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 "Amount Determined Under Section 956 for Corporate United States Shareholders" (RIN1545-BO88) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1502. 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 "Certified Professional Employer Organizations; Final Regulations" (RIN1545-BN19) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1503. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, for the six months ending June 30, 2018"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1504. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, for the six months ending June 30, 2018"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1505. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to telecommunications in Cuba; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1506. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Outdated Regulations—Expanding Opportunity Through Quality Charter Schools Program (CSP)—Grants for Credit Enhancement for Charter School Facilities" (RIN1810-AB56) received in the Office of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1507. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1508. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Veterans Affairs' Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1509. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors, United States Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Postal Services' Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1510. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1511. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1512. A communication from the Chair of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the six-month period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1513. A communication from the Acting Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019 and the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1514. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019 and the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1515. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Semiannual Management Report on the Status of Audits for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1516. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Semiannual Management Report on the Status of Audits for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1517. A communication from the Board Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1518. A joint communication from the Chairman and the General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1519. A communication from the Agency Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's fiscal year 2018 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1520. A communication from the Chair of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Semiannual Management Report for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1521. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of

Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1522. A communication from the Administrator, United States Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1523. A communication from the Regulation Policy Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removing Net Worth Requirement from Health Care Enrollment" (RIN2900-AP37) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-1524. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Improving Video Relay Service and Direct Video Calling, Report and Order, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking" (CG Docket Nos. 10-51 and 03-123) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 23, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1525. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Part 74 of the Commission's Rules Regarding FM Translator Interference, Report and Order" (MB Docket No. 18-119) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1526. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to United States Air Force Launches and Operations and Vandenberg Air Force Base California" (RIN0648-BI44) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1527. A communication from the Acting Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XF534) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1528. A communication from the Acting Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XF606) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1529. A communication from the Acting Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XF721) received during

adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1530. A communication from the Acting Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Sablefish Managed Under the Individual Fishing Quota Program" (RIN0648-XG019) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1531. A communication from the Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XF646) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1532. A communication from the Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Inseason Adjustment to the 2017 Gulf of Alaska Pollock Seasonal Apportionments" (RIN0648-XF647) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1533. A communication from the Acting Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Inseason Adjustment to the 2017 Gulf of Alaska Pollock Seasonal Apportionments" (RIN0648-XF725) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1534. A communication from the Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Exchange of Flatfish in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XF762) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1535. A communication from the Acting Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Exchange of Flatfish in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XF767) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1536. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Take-off Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments; Amendment No. 3851" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1537. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal

Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Take-off Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments; Amendment No. 3852" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1538. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments; Amendment No. 546" (RIN2120-AA63) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1539. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aviation Safety Organization Changes" ((RIN2120-AL05) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0119)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1540. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Hawaiian Islands High and the Hawaiian Islands Low Offshore Airspace Areas; Hawaii" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2017-1013)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1541. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Hawaiian Islands; Hawaii" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2018-1074)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1542. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0790)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1543. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Leonardo S.p.A. (Type Certificate Previously Held by Finmeccanica S.p.A., AgustaWestland S.p.A.) Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0726)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1544. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Textron Aviation, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2019-0350)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1545. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal

Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Viking Air Limited (Type Certificate Previously Held by Bombardier, Inc., de Havilland) Airplanes" (RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2019-0410) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-75. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania designating May 2019 as "Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 122

Whereas, Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) is better known as Lou Gehrig's disease; and

Whereas, ALS is a fatal neurodegenerative disease characterized by degeneration of cell bodies of the upper and lower motor neurons in the gray matter of the anterior horn of the spinal cord; and

Whereas, The initial symptom of ALS is weakness of the skeletal muscles, especially those of the extremities; and

Whereas, As ALS progresses, the patient experiences difficulty in swallowing, talking and breathing; and

Whereas, ALS eventually causes muscles to atrophy and the patient becomes a functional quadriplegic; and

Whereas, Patients with ALS typically remain alert and are aware of their loss of motor functions and the inevitable outcome of continued deterioration and death; and

Whereas, ALS affects military veterans at twice the rate of the general population; and

Whereas, ALS occurs in adulthood, most commonly between 40 and 70 years of age, peaking at approximately 55 years of age, and affects both men and women without bias; and

Whereas, More than 5,000 new ALS patients are diagnosed throughout the nation each year; and

Whereas, In Pennsylvania there are currently more than 1,000 individuals who have been formally diagnosed with ALS; and

Whereas, The \$750,000 in State funding appropriated by the General Assembly for ALS support services for 2018-2019 provided services to nearly 1,000 constituents and a substantial savings to the State budget and taxpayers; and

Whereas, The ALS Association reports that on average, patients diagnosed with ALS only survive two to five years from the time of diagnosis; and

Whereas, ALS has no known cause, prevention or cure; and

Whereas, "Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month" increases the public's awareness of ALS patients' circumstances and acknowledges the negative impact this disease has on ALS patients and their families and recognizes the research being done to eradicate ALS; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania designate the month of May 2019 as "Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the presiding officers of each house of Congress and to each member of Congress from Pennsylvania.

POM-76. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Tennessee urging the President of the United States to designate a state funeral for the last surviving Medal of Honor recipient from World War II when such recipient passes away; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

#### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 96

Whereas, World War II, the most widespread war in history, lasted from 1939 until 1945; and

Whereas, the United States entered the war in 1941, following an attack on Pearl Harbor by Japanese fighter planes; and

Whereas, over sixteen million Americans served their country and the Allied powers over the course of the war; and

Whereas, the men and women who served our country in World War II have been collectively called the "greatest generation" for their selfless sacrifice; and

Whereas, the Medal of Honor is the highest military decoration that is awarded by the United States government; and

Whereas, the Medal of Honor is presented by the President of the United States, in the name of Congress; and

Whereas, the Medal of Honor is only conferred upon members of the United States Armed Forces who distinguished themselves through conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty while engaged in action against an enemy of the United States, while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force, or while serving with friendly forces engaged in an armed conflict against an opposing armed force in which the United States was not a belligerent party; and

Whereas, more than 3,400 Medals of Honor have been awarded to our nation's bravest soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, and coast guardsmen since the creation of the award in 1861; and

Whereas, the Medal of Honor was awarded to 353 Americans during World War II; and

Whereas, only four of those 353 Americans are still alive today; and

Whereas, each of these courageous servicemen, Charles H. Coolidge of Tennessee, Francis S. Currey of New York, Robert D. Maxwell of Oregon, and Hershel Woodrow Williams of West Virginia, risked his life while serving his country with conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity and therefore deserves the gratitude of the American people; and

Whereas, the President of the United States has the sole authority to designate a state funeral; and

Whereas, historically, the President of the United States has designated state funerals for former presidents, generals, and other extraordinary Americans; and

Whereas, our nation is currently divided and yearns for a unifying national event; and

Whereas, designating a state funeral when the last surviving World War II Medal of Honor recipient dies would be a wonderful way for the American people to unite and honor all sixteen million soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, and coast guardsmen who served in our Armed Forces from 1941 to 1945: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate of the One Hundred Eleventh General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, the House of Representatives concurring*, That this General Assembly urges the President of the United States to designate a state funeral for the last surviving Medal of Honor recipient from World War II when such recipient passes away; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Senate is instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the

United States, the Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, and all members of the Tennessee congressional delegation.

POM-77. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislative Assembly of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico requesting the United States Congress to take action to appropriate funds and resources as necessary to dredge the Dos Bocas, Loco, Loiza (Carraizo), and Lucchetti reservoirs, which were adversely affected by excessive sedimentation in the wake of hurricanes Irma and Maria in Puerto Rico; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

#### SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 60

It is a known fact that Puerto Rico has no natural lakes. Hence, in the early 20th century, it was necessary to build the first reservoir or artificial lake, so as to address fundamental needs such as water storage for residential or industrial consumption, hydro-power generation, irrigation of agricultural lands, and flooding control and mitigation, among other important uses. Today, we have thirty-six (36) main reservoirs formed by the dams built in the rivers located in the mountain region in the center of the Island, and two (2) outside of the main riverbeds in the eastern region.

It is true that reservoirs are Puerto Rico's most important source of water, however, issues such as sedimentation, the lack of reforestation plans, and the accelerated erosion caused by urban development, among other aspects, have seriously affected the storage capacity of these bodies of water.

In addition to the foregoing, after hurricanes Irma and Maria made landfall on September 2017, many of our lakes were severely affected by a sudden accumulation of sediment. The path followed by hurricane Irma—a category-5 hurricane—brought it really close to the island, and two weeks later, hurricane Maria made landfall on the island. Hurricane Maria has been classified as one of the most powerful natural disasters to ever affect Puerto Rico in recent history. The latter left a lot of devastation, flooding, torrential rain, and severe damage across the island.

The catastrophic effects of these weather events had a significant impact on four (4) of our most important reservoirs. Out of the lakes that supply our drinking water, Loiza (Carraizo) is one of the most affected by sedimentation. Said sedimentation has reduced the depth of the lake thus impairing its capacity to collect water, despite being fed primarily by the Río Grande de Loiza, which is the largest river on the island. The storage capacity of the Loiza reservoir (Carraizo) has been nearly halved as a result of sedimentation.

Sedimentation is also the main problem affecting the Dos Bocas, Lucchetti, and Loco Lakes, all of which are at critical levels, threatening their storage capacity and water quality, because water turbidity increases as reservoir levels decrease. The rapid sediment accumulation has reduced the useful life of the most important reservoirs by sixty (60) percent. Therefore, the United States Congress failure to take immediate action and appropriate the funds needed to dredge the Dos Bocas, Loco, Loiza (Carraizo), and Lucchetti reservoirs would hinder the hydro-power generation and drinking water supply for the thousands U.S. citizens who reside on the Island. The critical levels of these four (4) reservoirs calls for the urgent dredging and restoration of these bodies of water, so that they may serve the purposes for which they were built, as well as to mitigate and