

Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1721. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Trifloxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerances” (FRL 9994-67-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1722. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) performing the duties of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, “Pilot Program to Establish the Government Lodging Program; Department of Defense Report on the Integrated Lodging Pilot Program (ILPP)” ; to the Committees on Armed Services; Appropriations; and Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1723. 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 “Wildfire Suppression Aircraft Transfer Act of 1996” (RIN0790-AK42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1724. 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 “Restricting the Temporary Sojourn of Aircraft and Vessels to Cuba” (RIN0694-AH87) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1725. A communication from the Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Inflation Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties” (31 CFR Parts 501, 510, 535, 536, 539, 541, 542, 544, 546, 547, 548, 549, 560, 561, 566, 576, 583, 584, 588, 592, 594, 595, 597, and 598) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1726. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-1727. 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 “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule to List the Chambered Nautilus as Threatened Under the Endangered Species Act” (RIN0648-XE685) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1728. 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; Infrastructure State Implementation Plan Requirements for the 2012 PM2.5 NAAQS” (FRL No. 9995-41-Region 1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1729. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule en-

titled “Air Plan Approval; Ohio; Open Burning Rules” (FRL No. 9995-42-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1730. 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 “Implementation of New Commerce Section 232 Exclusions Portal” (RIN0694-AH55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1731. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Housing and Urban Development 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-1732. A communication from the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Met Many Requirements for the Improper Payments Information Act of 2002 but Did Not Fully Comply for Fiscal Year 2018” ; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1733. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, three (3) reports relative to a vacancy in the position of Director, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1734. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of MAB-CHMINACA in Schedule I” ((21 CFR Part 1308) (Docket No. DEA-421)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 18, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1735. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Furanyl Fentanyl, 4-Fluoroisobutyl Fentanyl, Acryl Fentanyl, Tetrahydrofuran, and Ocfeentanil in Schedule I” ((21 CFR Part 1308) (Docket No. DEA-490)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 18, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1736. 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 “2018 Annual Determination To Implement the Sea Turtle Observer Requirement” (RIN0648-BG90) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1737. 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 “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule to List the Taiwanese Humpback Dolphin as Endangered Under the Endangered Species Act” (RIN0648-XE571) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1738. 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 “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rulemaking to Designate Critical Habitat for the Main Hawaiian Islands Insular False Killer Whale Distinct Population Segment” (RIN0648-BC45) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1739. 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 “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Status of the Gulf of Mexico Bryde’s Whale” (RIN0648-XD669) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 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-95. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana urging the United States Congress to provide adequate funding to the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the completion of the proposed project to deepen the Mississippi River Ship Channel to fifty feet; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 131

Whereas, deepening of the Mississippi River Ship Channel to fifty feet is a historic infrastructure project that is vital to our nation’s economic prosperity; and

Whereas, the expansion of the Panama Canal has made it imperative to improve access on the Mississippi River for larger Post-Panamax ships for export and import of goods; and

Whereas, the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the state of Louisiana desire deepening the Mississippi River Ship Channel to fifty feet; and

Whereas, the project is approved and awaiting federal funding; and

Whereas, thirty-one states will receive economic benefits by the enhanced water carrying capacity of the Mississippi River Ship Channel, also known as the gateway to America’s Heartland; and

Whereas, the Mississippi River Ship Channel and tributaries currently account for seven hundred fifty billion dollars of the nation’s economy and two million four hundred thousand jobs; and

Whereas, each new additional foot of water draft will account for an additional one million dollars in cargo on a vessel. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States to provide adequate funding to the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the completion of the proposed project to deepen the Mississippi River Ship Channel to fifty feet.

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives, to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress, the assistant secretary of the Army for Civil Works, the commander of the United States Army Corps of Engineers New Orleans District, and the governor.

POM-96. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana urging the United States Congress to review the definition of abortion and the use of the term abortion for medical purposes of medical records when a woman has a spontaneous miscarriage; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 130

Whereas, a spontaneous miscarriage is the unavoidable and untreatable process of naturally ending a pregnancy before the twentieth week of gestation; and

Whereas, according to national estimates, approximately fifteen to twenty percent of all pregnancies in the United States end in miscarriage; and

Whereas, according to the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, roughly sixty percent of miscarriages occur when an embryo has an abnormal number of chromosomes during fertilization, a problem that happens by chance, not as a result of anything the parents did; and

Whereas, the devastation and grief associated with a miscarriage leave women to feel as though they had done something wrong to cause it; and

Whereas, the trauma is compounded by physicians, hospitals, clinics, health insurers, and other healthcare providers interchangeably using medical terminology such as abortion, spontaneous abortion, missed abortion, inevitable abortion, incomplete abortion, or septic abortion with spontaneous miscarriage; and

Whereas, towards the end of the last century, medical journals and healthcare professionals consciously began using the term spontaneous miscarriage instead of abortion as both an intuitive empathetic response to the stigma of abortion and as a reflection of legal, technological, professional, and social developments relative to women who experience miscarriage; and

Whereas, despite the evolution and clinical clarity of the use of the term spontaneous miscarriage, many women are horrified to find that the medical diagnosis or condition listed in their patient medical record indicates abortion; and

Whereas, although not technically incorrect based on customary and acceptable medical terminology, the use of the term abortion has a widely recognized modern day implication of intentionally causing the death of an unborn child; and

Whereas, charting, coding, and billing systems include Current Procedures Terminology (CPT) codes, International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 9th revision (ICD-9), diagnosis-related group (DRG) codes, and other diagnosis and procedure codes utilized in the United States healthcare system; and

Whereas, a conscious and collective assessment needs to be done at the highest level of regulatory authority in the United States to provide for definitive and distinctive use of the terms spontaneous miscarriage versus abortion: Therefore, be it Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States to review the definition of abortion and the use of the term abortion for purposes of medical records when a woman has a spontaneous miscarriage; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate, the clerk of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Ms. MURKOWSKI for the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

*Robert Wallace, of Wyoming, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife.

By Mr. GRAHAM for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Daniel Aaron Bress, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Mary S. McElroy, of Rhode Island, to be United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island.

Jason K. Pulliam, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas.

Stephanie A. Gallagher, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Eric Ross Komitee, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Rachel P. Kovner, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Lewis J. Liman, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Martha Maria Pacold, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Mary M. Rowland, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Steven C. Seeger, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

John L. Sinatra, Jr., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York.

Mary Kay Vyskocil, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

David Austin Tapp, of Kentucky, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Gary Richard Brown, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Stephanie Dawkins Davis, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Diane Gujarati, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Frank William Volk, of West Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of West Virginia.

Edward W. Felten, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring January 29, 2025.

*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. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Ms. HARRIS):

S. 1915. A bill to require the recording and reporting of communications between the Department of Justice and the White House relating to civil and criminal investigations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HAWLEY:

S. 1916. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit companies that host videos from enabling child predators, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. UDALL (for himself and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. 1917. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the system of public financing for Presidential elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. BENNET, and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. 1918. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to require alternative options for summer food service program delivery; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. YOUNG:

S. 1919. A bill to require certain grantees under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to submit a plan to track discriminatory land use policies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 1920. A bill to establish jobs programs for long-term unemployed workers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. ROSEN (for herself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 1921. A bill to provide that primary care services provided by the National Health Service Corps may include palliative care services; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. CARPER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. MARKEY):

S. 1922. A bill to authorize Federal agencies to establish prize competitions for innovation or adaptation management development relating to coral reef ecosystems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE:

S. 1923. A bill to require the establishment of a Consumer Price Index for Elderly Consumers to compute cost-of-living increases for Social Security benefits under title II of the Social Security Act and to provide, in the case of elderly beneficiaries under such title, for an annual cost-of-living increase which is not less than 3 percent; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. MURPHY):

S. 1924. A bill to prevent the purchase of ammunition by prohibited purchasers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PORTMAN:

S. 1925. A bill to authorize State opioid response grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. HARRIS:

S. 1926. A bill to increase access to pre-exposure prophylaxis to reduce the transmission of HIV; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 1927. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 with respect to association retirement plans and other multiple employer pension benefit plans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.