

H.R. 584. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a fish hatchery to the State of Iowa (Rept. No. 104-131).

H.R. 614. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Minnesota the New London National Fish Hatchery production facility (Rept. No. 104-132).

S. 369. A bill to designate the Federal Courthouse in Decatur, Alabama, as the "Seybourn H. Lynne Federal Courthouse", and for other purposes.

S. 734. A bill to designate the United States courthouse and Federal building to be constructed at the southeastern corner of Liberty and South Virginia Streets in Reno, Nevada, as the "Bruce R. Thompson United States Courthouse and Federal Building", and for other purposes.

S. 965. A bill to designate the United States Courthouse for the Eastern District of Virginia in Alexandria, Virginia, as the Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse.

S. 1076. A bill to designate the Western Program Service Center of the Social Security Administration located at 1221 Nevin Avenue, Richmond, California, as the "Francis J. Hagel Building", and for other purposes.

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

S. 1124. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 1125. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military construction, and for other purposes.

S. 1126. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. D'AMATO, from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

Herbert F. Collins, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board for a term of three years.

Maria Luisa Mabilangan Haley, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 1999.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed, subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. THURMOND:

S. 1124. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

S. 1125. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military construction, and for other purposes; from

the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

S. 1126. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. GORTON (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 1127. A bill to establish the Vancouver National Historic Reserve, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 1128. A bill to amend chapters 83 and 84 of title 5, United States Code, to extend the civil service retirement provisions of such chapter which are applicable to law enforcement officers, to inspectors of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, inspectors and canine enforcement officers of the United States Customs Service, and revenue officers of the Internal Revenue Service; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. ASHCROFT:

S. 1129. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to permit employers to provide for flexible and compressed schedules, to permit employers to give priority treatment in hiring decisions to former employees after periods of family care responsibility, to maintain the minimum wage and overtime exemption for employees subject to certain leave policies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BRADLEY (for himself, Mr. HATFIELD, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KOHL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. SIMON, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. SIMPSON):

S. Res. 159. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the role of tobacco in leading to addiction, disease, and premature death among children and teenagers, and the role of increased excise taxes in reducing tobacco use by children and teenagers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. D'AMATO:

S. Res. 160. A resolution marking the anniversary of the anti-Greek pogrom in Turkey, on September 6, 1955; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. GORTON (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 1127. A bill to establish the Vancouver National Reserve, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

THE VANCOUVER NATIONAL HISTORIC RESERVE
ACT OF 1995

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, today I am pleased to introduce the Vancouver National Historic Reserve Act with my colleague from the State of Washington, Senator MURRAY.

Vancouver, WA, has been described as the cradle of civilization in the Pacific Northwest, as the place at which the first English-speaking settlers put

down their roots. Dating back to its role as the western outpost for U.S. military operations and for the early American explorers, led by Lewis and Clark, Vancouver has been the locale of significant events of American history.

A few examples: Pearson Airpark, one of the oldest and most historic airports in our country. Pearson Airpark is the site of several aviation firsts, including the landing site of Valeri Chkalov, the "Soviet Lindberg," after his transpolar flight. The Vancouver area is also home to the original Vancouver Barracks, established to counter British influence in the region. Officer's Row, 21 historic homes that were part of the barracks, housed some of our Nation's greatest military leaders, including Generals Sheridan, Howard, Grant, and Marshall.

Recognizing the potential significance for a National Reserve in Vancouver, WA, Congress established the Vancouver Historic Study Commission in 1990. The Commission was to develop a series of recommendations on how best to coordinate Vancouver's many historic resources. Not surprisingly, the Commission found that the city of Vancouver had an abundance of both historic sites and resources of national significance, and recommended the formation of a partnership between Federal, State, and local entities to coordinate and manage a historic reserve.

Today, I introduce legislation that is based on the findings and recommendations of the Commission's report, and a memorandum of agreement signed by the city of Vancouver and the National Park Service. This legislation will ensure the preservation of the historic legacy of Vancouver for our Nation.

Mr. President, the Vancouver National Historic Reserve is an example of the type of State, local, and Federal partnerships that make for sound public policy. This legislation represents a partnership among State, Federal, and local entities, working together toward one common goal: to preserve, enhance, and interpret significant components of the Pacific Northwest's history.

The Vancouver National Historic Act creates a unique relationship among the National Park Service, U.S. Army, the State of Washington, and the city of Vancouver. We intend that this relationship, established to coordinate and manage the many historic resources in the Vancouver area, will keep the important legacy of this part of the Pacific Northwest alive for future generations to enjoy.

The Vancouver National Historic Reserve consists of several sites: Fort Vancouver National Historic Site; Vancouver Barracks; O.O. Howard House; Pearson Airpark; Officer's Row; Old Apple Tree Park; Marine Park; and the Columbia River Waterfront. In its entirety, the reserve includes 366 acres of publicly owned land and extends from Officer's Row to the Columbia River.

In addition, thanks to a significant investment by the M.J. Murdock Trust,