

Association of the District of Columbia, and the D.C. public school system, will hold the official U.S. press conference to report on the state of asthma in the United States and what is being done to combat the problem. Invited guests include members of Congress; Olympians who have achieved their titles despite their asthma; Washington, DC, elementary school students who have asthma; and representatives of selected community-based asthma coalitions from across the country. The press conference will be Webcast and shown on the World Asthma Day Web site.

Mr. President, it is my hope that our colleagues will join in paying tribute to World Asthma Day and to those who suffer from this condition and those who are working to help them. It is hoped that with the continued support of the Congress, additional progress can be made in the efforts to prevent asthma, as well as to improve its diagnosis and treatment.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, 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 nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:21 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, 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. 371. An act to facilitate the naturalization of aliens who served with special guerrilla units or irregular forces in Laos.

H.R. 2932. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the Golden Spike/Crossroads of the West National Heritage Area Study Area and to establish the Crossroads of the West Historic District in the State of Utah.

H.R. 3582. An act to restrict the use of mandatory minimum personnel experience and educational requirements in the procurement of information technology goods or services unless sufficiently justified.

H.R. 3629. An act to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to improve the program for American Indian Tribal Colleges and Universities under part A of the title III.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 300. Concurrent resolution recognizing and commending our Nation's Federal workforce for successfully preparing our Nation to withstand any catastrophic year 2000 computer problem disruptions.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 452. An act for the relief of Belinda McGregor.

The message also announced that the House has passed to the following joint resolutions, without amendment:

S.J. Res. 40. A joint resolution providing for the appointment of Alan G. Spoon as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

S.J. Res. 42. A joint resolution providing for the reappointment of Manuel L. Ibanez as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 2932. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the Golden Spike/Crossroads of the West National Heritage Area Study Area and to establish the Crossroads of the West Historic District in the State of Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3582. An act to restrict the use of mandatory minimum personnel experience and educational requirements in the procurement of information technology goods or services unless sufficiently justified; to the Committee on Government Affairs.

H.R. 371. An act to facilitate the naturalization of aliens who served with special guerrilla units or irregular forces in Laos; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 300. Concurrent resolution recognizing and commending our Nation's Federal workforce for successfully preparing our Nation to withstand any catastrophic year 2000 computer problem disruptions; to the Committee on Government Affairs.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-8755. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-600, -700, -800 Series Airplanes; Request for Comments; Docket No. 2000-NM-84 (4-10/4-24)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0214), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8756. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-100, -200, -200C, -300, -400, and -500 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-NM-81 (4-11/4-24)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0215), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8757. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 767 Series Airplane; Docket No. 99-NM-72 (4-10/4-24)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0216), received April 27,

2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8758. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-600, -700, -800 Series Airplanes; Request for Comments; Docket No. 2000-NM-88 (4-24/4-27)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0214), received May 1, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8759. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 747 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-NM-56 (4-27/5-1)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0239), received May 1, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8760. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-100, -200, -300, -400, and -500 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 98-NM-253 (4-26/5-1)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0242), received May 1, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8761. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 777 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-NM-346 (4-26/5-1)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0241), received May 1, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8762. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A300-600 and A310 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-NM-82 (4-14/4-24)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0228), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8763. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A300-600 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 98-NM-78 (4-14/4-24)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0227), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8764. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A300 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-NM-304 (4-24/4-18)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0219), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8765. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A300, A310, and A300-600 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-NM-07 (4-14/4-24)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0222), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8766. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Fokker Model F.28 Mark 0070 and 0100 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-NM-369 (4-14/4-24)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0226), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8767. A communication from the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of