

Division, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisherries of the Northeastern United States; Final 2001 Specifications for the Atlantic Bluefish Fishery; Regulatory Amendment" (RIN0648-AM47) received on May 14, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1901. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of the service on the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972; 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-53. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the Legislature of the State of Michigan relative to prayer in public schools; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 54

Whereas, The United States of America was founded by men and women with varied religious beliefs and ideals; and

Whereas, The First Amendment to the United States Constitution states that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof . . ." which means that the government is prohibited from establishing a state religion. However, no barriers shall be erected against the practice of any religion; and

Whereas, The establishment clause of the First Amendment was not drafted to protect Americans from religion. Rather, its purpose was clearly to protect Americans from governmental mandates with respect to religion; and

Whereas, The Michigan Senate strongly believes that reaffirming a right to voluntary, individual, unorganized, and nonmandated prayer in public schools is an important element of religious choice guaranteed by the Constitution, and will reaffirm those religious rights and beliefs upon which the nation was founded: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate,* That the members of this legislative body memorialize the Congress of the United States to strongly support voluntary, individual, unorganized, and nonmandatory prayer in the public schools of this nation; and be it further

*Resolved,* That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. 896. An original bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 103 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002 (H. Con. Res. 83).

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committee were submitted:

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

Bruce Marshall Carnes, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Energy.

David Garman, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy).

Francis S. Blake, of Connecticut, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

Robert Gordon Card, of Colorado, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

(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 times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 893. A bill to establish the National Boxing Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HELMS (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, and Mr. REID):

S. 894. A bill to authorize increased support to the democratic opposition and other oppressed people of Cuba to help them regain their freedom and prepare themselves for a democratic future, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. FRIST):

S. 895. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for research related to developing vaccines against widespread diseases and ensure that such vaccines are affordable and widely distributed; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 896. An original bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 103 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002 (H. Con. Res. 83); from the Committee on Finance; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 897. A bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to provide that the procedures relating to the closing or consolidation of a post office be extended to the relocation or construction of a post office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 898. A bill to make technical amendments to the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (42 U.S.C. 2210 note), provide compensation to certain claimants under such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. ALLEN):

S. 899. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to increase the amount paid to families of public safety officers killed in the line of duty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. BOXER, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 900. A bill to establish a Consumer Energy Commission to assess and provide recommendations regarding recent energy price spikes from the perspective of consumers; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 901. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to cease mineral leasing activity on the outer Continental Shelf seaward of a coastal State that has declared a moratorium on mineral exploration, development, or production activity in State water; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. THURMOND (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire):

S. 902. A bill to amend section 1951 of title 18, United States Code (commonly known as the Hobbs Act), and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ALLARD:

S. 903. A bill to amend the Cache La Poudre River Corridor Act to make technical amendments; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. WARNER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. ALLEN, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 904. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an above-the-line deduction for qualified professional development expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers and to allow a credit against income tax to elementary and secondary school teachers who provide classroom materials; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. REID, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 905. A bill to provide incentives for school construction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CLELAND, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DODD, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KOHL, Mrs. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. MCCAIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. REID, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WELLSTONE, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 90. A resolution designating June 3, 2001, as "National Child's Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

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At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Michigan