

## MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

## ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of January 7, 2003, the Secretary of the Senate, on January 10, 2003, during the recess of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 11. An act to extend the national flood insurance program.

Under the authority of the order of January 7, 2003, the enrolled bill was signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS) on January 10, 2003.

## 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-271. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Indian Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Arrangement with States, Territories, or Other Agencies for Relief of Distress and Social Welfare of Indians" received on December 16, 2002; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-272. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Regulatory Law, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Vocational Training for Certain Children of Veterans—Covered Birth Defects and Spina Bifida" received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-273. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Committee, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "FEC Policy Statement: Interim Reporting Procedures" received on November 25, 2002; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-274. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dental Devices; Classification for Intraoral Devices for Snoring and/or Obstructive Sleep Apnea" received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-275. A communication from the Director, White House Liaison, Office of Educational Research and Improvement, Department of Education, transmitting, the report of the elimination of the position of Assistant Secretary, received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-276. A communication from the Director, White House Liaison, Office of Educational Research and Improvement, Department of Education, transmitting, the report of the creation of the position of Director, Institute of Education Sciences, received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-277. A communication from the Director, White House Liaison, Office of Educational Research and Improvement, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of nomination confirmed for the position of Assistant Inspector General, Department of Education, received on

December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-278. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel, Division of Regulatory Services, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Title I—Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged" received on December 2, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-279. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Program Operations, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Prohibited Transaction Exemption 97-11" received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-280. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Possession, Use, and Transfer at Select Agents and Toxins" received on December 9, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-281. A communication from the White Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Inspector General, received on October 9, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-282. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the designation of acting officer for the position of Inspector General, received on October 9, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-283. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Ear, Nose, and Throat Devices; Classification of the Transcutaneous Air Conduction Hearing Aid System" received on December 1, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-284. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare Management, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule for Calendar Year 2003 and Inclusion of Registered Nurses in the Personnel Provisions of the Critical Access Hospital Emergency Services Requirement for Frontier Areas and Remote Locations (RIN0938-AL21)" received on January 2, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-285. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to the follow-up, required by Section 6(b) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, on the report entitled "The Power of the Internet for learning: Moving from Promise to Practice" received on December 1, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-286. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-287. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Advance Reimbursement of Medical Expenses (Rev. Ruling 2002-80)" received on December 2, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-288. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service,

Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Ruling 2002-83—Related Party Like-Kind Exchanges" received on December 2, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-289. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Overpayments from a qualified plan" received on December 2, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-290. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "RAP & RENT/SUPP PAYMENTS (Rev. Ruling 2002-65)" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-291. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Ruling 2002-77—Bureau of Labor Statistics Price Indexes for Department Stores—September 2002" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-292. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Biodiesel ((RR-136293-02) (Rev. Rul. 2002-76))" received on November 25, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-293. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taxpayer Identification Number Rule where Taxpayer Claims Treaty Rate and is Entitled to an Unexpected Payment" received on November 25, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-294. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Information Reporting Relating to Taxable Stock Transactions ((RIN1545-BB40)(TD 9022))" received on November 18, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-295. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice 2002-76—Disaster Relief Payments by lower Manhattan Development Corporation (Notice 2002-76)" received on November 18, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-296. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Statement of Procedural Rules—Freedom of Information Act (RIN1545-AR99)" received on November 21, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-297. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates—December 2002 (Revenue Ruling 2002-81)" received on November 21, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-298. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "CPI Adjustment for Section 7872(g) for 2003 (Rev. Rul. 2002-78)" received on November 21, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-299. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "CPI Adjustment for Section 1274A for 2003 (Rev. Rul. 2002-79)" received on November 21, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.