Senior Legislature, and the conversion of Fort Ord Army Base into California State University Monterey Bay. A particular highlight in his career, Senator Mello cosponsored the Mello-Roos Act, which established tax-exempt bonds and special districts for school construction and other public improvements.

Senator Mello was proud of his Portuguese heritage, and regularly traveled to Washington, DC to advocate for increased foreign aid to Portugal. The King of Portugal knighted Senator Mello for his efforts. In his spare time, Senator Mello was also an avid deep-sea fisherman and jazz pianist. In 2002, Senator Mello played with the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra at the performing arts center in Watsonville that is named after him—the Henry J. Mello Center for the Performing Arts.

Senator Mello was a deeply loved member of both the California State legislature and the central coast community, and a strong, tenacious man who cared deeply about the causes he represented. He will be missed by all who knew him. We take comfort in knowing that future generations will benefit from his spirit, his vision, and his leadership.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

HONORING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF DISHA PANCHOLI

Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I wish to pay tribute to and congratulat Disha Pancholi of Louisville, KY, on being awarded a Boren Undergraduate Scholarship from the David L. Boren National Security Education Program,NSEP.

Ms. Pancholi was one of 181 applicants nationwide to receive one of these scholarships. NSEP administered within the National Defense University in the Department of Defense. It funds outstanding U.S. students to study critical languages and world regions in exchange for a commitment to seek employment with the Federal Government in the arena of national security.

Ms. Pancholi has been studying Arabic and will spend her fall term in Egypt. She attends the University of Louisville and is majoring in biology and political science.

The citizens of Jefferson County should be proud to have a woman such as Disha Pancholi in their community. Her example of dedication and hard work should be an inspiration to the entire Commonwealth. She has my most sincere admiration for this work and I look forward to her continued service to the United States.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:18 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1658) to amend the Railroad Right-of-Way Conveyance Act to validate the conveyances of certain lands in the State of California that form part of the right-of-way granted by the United States to facilitate the construction of the transcontinental railway, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill and joint resolution, without amendment:

S. 1301. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit video voyeurism in a maritime and territorial jurisdiction of the United States, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 41. Joint resolution commending the opening of the National Museum of the American Indian.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2663. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating Castle Nugent Farms located on St. Croix, Virgin Islands, as a unit of the National Park System and for other purposes.

H.R. 2666. An act to preserve the use and access of pack and saddle stock animals on...
HE S. 2823. A bill to provide for the adjustment of certain foreign agricultural workers and for other purposes.

EC-9386. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Security Zone: Wiscasset, Maine; Demolition of Maine Yankee Former Containment Building” (RIN1625-AA82) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-9358. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Special Local Regulations (including 3 Regulations): CGD05-04-170, CGD05-04-172” (RIN1625-AA88) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9357. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “‘Special Local Regulations (including 3 Regulations): CGD07-04-103, CGD06-04-143, CGD06-04-157’” (RIN1625-AA00) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9356. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Special Local Regulations: CGD03-04-031, CGD06-04-105, CGD06-04-031” (RIN1625-AA01) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 2663. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Western Reserve Heritage Area.

H.R. 3334. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design and construction of the Riverside-Co- rona Feeder in cooperation with the Western Municipal Water District of Riverside, California.

H.R. 3632. An act to prevent and punish counterfeiting of copyrighted copies and phonorecords, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4459. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and in coordination with other Federal, State, and local government agencies, to participate in the funding and implementation of a balanced, long-term groundwater remediation program in California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 2823. A bill to provide for the adjustment of certain foreign agricultural workers and for other purposes, pursuant to an Act of Congress titled “Sawtooth National Recreation Area—Private Lands: Increasing Residential Outlet Building Size” (RIN0908-AC00) received on September 17, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9354. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Citrus Canker; Quarantined Areas” (Doc. No. 04-045-1) received on September 17, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9355. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a retirement to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9356. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Mandatory Ballast Water Management Program for U.S. Waters USCG-2003-14273” (RIN1625-AA52) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9357. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Notification of Arrival of Certain Dangerous Cargo — Electronic Submission USCG-2003-16688” (RIN1625-AA82) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9358. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Security Zone: Protection of Military Cargo, Captain of the Port Zone Puget Sound, WA” CGD13-04-019” (RIN1625-AA00) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9359. A communication from the Under Secretary of the Treasury, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “31 CFR part 592, Rough Diamonds Control Regulations” received on September 24, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9360. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on a regulatory action with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12957 of March 15, 1995; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9361. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Safety Zone (Including 3 Regulations): CGD07-04-103, CGD06-04-143, CGD06-04-157” (RIN1625-AA00) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9362. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Special Local Regulations (including 3 Regulations): CGDF13-04-031, CGD05-04-105, CGD06-04-031” (RIN1625-AA01) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9363. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Special Local Regulations: CGD04-05-069” (RIN1625-AA00) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9364. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “’Special Local Regulations (Including 3 Regulations): CGD03-04-031, CGD06-04-105, CGD06-04-172’” (RIN1625-AA88) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9365. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Special Local Regulations: CGD07-04-055, CGD08-04-108” (RIN1625-AA52) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9366. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Coast Guard, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Special Local Regulations: CGD03-04-185, CGD04-05-052, CGD04-05-069, CGD06-04-105, CGD07-04-103, CGD08-04-108, CGD08-04-024” (RIN1625-AA01) received on September 21, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.