

## 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 12:51 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagrees to the Senate amendment to the act (H.R. 4837) making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon and appoints the following members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. WALSH, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. GRANGER, Mr. GOODE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. BOYD, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. DICKS and Mr. OBEY.

The message also announced that the House passed the bill (S. 211) to establish the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes, with an amendment.

The message further announced that the House has passed the bill (S. 1134) to reauthorize and improve the programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, without amendment.

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

H.R. 4470. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program from fiscal year 2005 to 2010.

H.R. 4661. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to discourage spyware, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5061. An act to provide assistance for the current crisis in the Darfur region of Sudan and to facilitate a comprehensive peace in Sudan.

H.R. 5213. An act to expand research information regarding multidisciplinary research projects and epidemiological studies.

The message further announced that, the House agreed to the resolution (H. Res. 842) requesting that the Senate return to the House of Representatives the bill of the Senate (S. 1301) to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit video voyeurism in the special maritime and territorial jurisdiction of the United States, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that, pursuant to section 201(b) of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6431 note), amended by sec-

tion 681(b) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003 (22 U.S.C. 2651 note), the order of the House of December 8, 2003, and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, the Speaker appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a 2-year term ending May 14, 2006, to fill the existing vacancy thereon: Ms. Elizabeth Prodomou of Boston, Massachusetts, to succeed Ms. Patricia W. Chang of San Francisco, California.

## ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 6:48 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 33. An act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain administrative sites and other land in the Ozark-St. Francis and Ouachita National Forests and to use funds derived from the sale or exchange to acquire, construct, or improve administrative sites.

S. 2415. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4141 Postmark Drive, Anchorage, Alaska, as the 'Robert J. Opinsky Post Office Building'.

S. 2742. An act to extend certain authority of the Supreme Court Police, modify the venue of prosecutions relating to the Supreme Court building and grounds, and authorize the acceptance of gifts to the United States Supreme Court.

H.R. 854. An act to provide for the promotion of democracy, human rights, and rule of law in the Republic of Belarus and for the consolidation and strengthening of Belarus sovereignty and independence.

H.R. 2828. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to implement water supply technology and infrastructure programs aimed at increasing and diversifying domestic water resources.

H.R. 5122. An act to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to permit members of the Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance to serve for 2 terms.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

## MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

S. 2938. A bill to grant a Federal charter to the National American Indian Veterans Incorporated.

## MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 2949. A bill to amend the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 to reauthorize the Act, and for other purposes.

## 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-9613. A communication from the Administrator, Poultry Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations Governing Inspection of Eggs" (RIN0581-AB74) received on October 7, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9614. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Winter Pears in Oregon and Washington; Decrease of a Continuing Supplemental Assessment Rate for the Beurre d'Anjou Variety of Pears Grown in Oregon and Washington" (FV04-927-2) received on October 7, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9615. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dried Prunes Produced in California; Increased Assessment Rate" (FV04-993-2) received on October 7, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9616. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mandatory Country of Origin Labeling of Fish; Interim Final Rule" (RIN0581-AC26) received on October 7, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9617. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mango Promotion, Research, and Information Order" (RIN0581-AC05) received on October 7, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9618. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Gypsy Moth Generally Infested Areas" (Doc. No. 04-025-2) received on October 5, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9619. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act of 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9620. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the authorization to wear the insignia of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9621. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the authorization to wear the insignia of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9622. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the authorization to wear the insignia of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9623. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the authorization to wear the insignia of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.