

EC-2103. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the authorization of the wearing of the insignia of the grade of general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2104. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the authorization of the wearing of the insignia of the grade of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2105. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the authorization of the wearing of the insignia of the grade of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2106. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the authorization of the wearing of the insignia of the grade of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2107. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Multiyear Contracting" (DFARS Case 2004-D024) received on May 8, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2108. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reporting Contract Performance Outside the United States" (DFARS Case 2004-D001) received on May 3, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2109. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Personal Services Contracts" (DFARS Case 2003-D103) received on May 3, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2110. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Unique Item Identification and Valuation" (DFARS Case 2003-D081) received on May 3, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2111. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Trade and Employment Effects of the Andean Trade Preference Act"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2112. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Andean Trade Preference Act; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2113. A communication from the Chairman, Advisory Committee for Trade Policy Negotiations, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Committee's report on the Extension of Trade Promotion Authority; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2114. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Implementation of the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2115. A communication from the Chairman, United States International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of and investigation entitled "The Impact of Trade Agreements Implemented Under Trade Promotion Authority"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2116. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, trans-

mitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Use of Specific Claims Payment Error Rates to Improve Effectiveness and Performance of Medicare Contractor Provider Education and Outreach Programs"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2117. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System for Long-Term Care Hospitals: Annual Payment Rate Updates, Policy Changes, and Clarification" (RIN0938-AN28) received on May 4, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2118. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Update of Ambulatory Surgical Center List of Covered Procedures" (CMS-1478-IFC) received on May 4, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2119. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Diesel Fuel and Kerosene Excise Tax; Dye Injection" ((RIN1545-BE44)(TD 9199)) received on May 3, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2120. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 29 Inflation Adjustment Factor" (Notice 2005-33) received on May 3, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2121. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Rebates" ((Rev. Rul. 2005-28)(RR-142416-02)) received on May 3, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2122. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Submission under Rev. Rul. 2005-6" (Notice 2005-35) received on May 4, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2123. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Election and Notice Provisions of Section 104 of the Pension Funding Equity Act" (Notice 2005-40) received on May 4, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2124. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Dividends by a RIC" (Rev. Rul. 2005-31) received on May 8, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2125. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Automatic Consent to Change to the Alternative Tax Book Value Method for Expense Appointment" (Rev. Proc. 2005-28) received on May 8, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2126. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, a report of proposed legislation relative to extending the life of the United States Parole Commission; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2127. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Program Performance Report for Fiscal Year 2004; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2128. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Fiscal Year 2004 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2129. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2004; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2130. A communication from Director, National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Foundation's Fiscal Year 2004 Performance Highlights Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2131. A communication from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's annual report summarizing its activities for calendar year 2004; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2132. A communication from the President, Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC), transmitting, pursuant to law, OPIC's Management Report for Fiscal Year 2004, the OPIC Fiscal Year 2006 Performance Budget, OPIC Fiscal Year 2004 Performance and Accountability Report, a Report on Development and U.S. Effects of OPIC's Fiscal Year 2004 Projects, a Report on Cooperation with Private Insurers, and a Report on the Environment; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 536. A bill to make technical corrections to laws relating to Native Americans, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-67).

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. SPECTER for the Committee on the Judiciary.

William H. Pryor, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

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. SANTORUM:

S. 1008. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to add meningococcal vaccines to the list of taxable vaccines for purposes of the Vaccine Injury Compensation Trust Fund; to the Committee on Finance.