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Additionally, I would like to give special thanks to Mr. Jeff Darman for his important public service as race director of the Capital Challenge and for his vision in founding the race. Jeff has served as the race director for every race and he provides tireless leadership in its organization by obtaining needed permits and resources for its resounding success.

I hope that you will join me in wishing competitors safety and success as they compete this year and for the continuing success for many years to come.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENT

TRIBUTE TO BERRIEN COUNTY, GA

• Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, I rise today to honor in the RECORD the 150th Anniversary of Berrien County, GA.

Berrien County was created in 1856 from Coffee, Irwin and Lowndes counties. It was named for a great Georgian, John McPherson Berrien, a U.S. Senator who also served as President Andrew Jackson's Attorney General. From the area labeled on early Georgia maps simply as "Pine Barrens," because of its vast acreage of pine trees,

Berrien County has become one of the top agriculture-producing counties in Georgia and the Southeast. Known as the "Bell Pepper Capital of the World," Berrien County farmers also have made significant contributions in the production of cotton, corn, peanuts, livestock, and especially tobacco.

During the summer when the tobacco markets opened, hundreds of families would come to the county seat of Nashville to market their crop and, in turn, purchase much needed items from area businesses with the money earned from that year's crop. Nashville has two historic buildings on the National Register of Historic Places—the old jail and the Berrien County Courthouse.

In addition to Nashville, Berrien County includes the great towns of Alapaha, Ray City, and Enigma.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure, and it is a privilege to recognize on the floor of the U.S. Senate, the contributions of Berrien County to the State of Georgia. I congratulate this great county on its 150th anniversary. •

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

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.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 349. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby.

H. Con. Res. 357. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month.

H. Con. Res. 383. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the National Arbor Day Foundation and National Arbor Day.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 357. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H. Con. Res. 383. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the National Arbor Day Foundation and National

Arbor Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

H.R. 5020. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, 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-6522. A communication from the Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Energy Outlook 2006"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6523. A communication from the Inspector General, Department of Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Office of Inspector General Fiscal Year 2005 FAIR Act Inventory; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6524. A communication from the Director, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Navajo Electrification Demonstration Program; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6525. A communication from the Acting Director, Security, Safety, and Law Enforcement, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Conduct on Bureau of Reclamation Facilities, Lands, and Waterbodies" (RIN1006-AA45) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6526. A communication from the Director, Contracts and Acquisitions Management, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's 2005 Commercial and Inherently Governmental Activities Inventory; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6527. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Labeling; Health Claims; Dietary Noncariogenic Carbohydrate Sweeteners and Dental Caries" (Docket No. 2004P-0294) received on April 12, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6528. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Class Exemption for Services Provided in Connection with the Termination of Abandoned Individual Account Plans" (RIN1210-ZA05) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6529. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Termination of Abandoned Individual Account Plans" (RIN1210-AA97) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6530. A communication from the Associate Legal Counsel, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of General Counsel, received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6531. A communication from the Acting Inspector General, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General inventory of commercial and inherently government activities for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6532. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to amounts of staff-years of technical effort to be allocated for each defense Federally Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC) during Fiscal Year 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6533. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Department's purchases from foreign entities in Fiscal Year 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6534. A communication from the Chief, U.S. Army Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Office, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "The Freedom of Information Act Program" (RIN0702-AA45) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6535. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Army, case number 05-06; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6536. A communication from the Acting Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6537. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 0676-0684); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6538. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the extension of the "Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Nicaragua Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Archaeological Material from the Pre-Hispanic Cultures of the Republic of Nicaragua" and the "Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Italy Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Categories of Archaeological Material Representing the Pre-Classical, Classical and Imperial Roman Periods of Italy"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6539. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, the report of proposed legislation entitled "The Antigua Convention Implementing Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6540. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Syria that was declared in Executive Order

13338 of May 11, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6541. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6542. A communication from the Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Office of Thrift Supervision's 2006 compensation plan; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6543. A communication from the Director, Office of Management, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's 2005 Annual Report on the Use of Category Ratings to fill positions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6544. A communication from the Chairman and President (Acting) of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of a financial guarantee to support the sale of one Boeing 737-200ER aircraft with installed GE90 engines to Austrian Airlines Lease and Finance Company Ltd.; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6545. A communication from the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's Annual Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6546. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report on the amount of acquisitions made by the agency from entities that manufacture the articles, materials, or supplies outside of the United States in fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6547. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting, the report of draft legislation entitled "Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Commemorative Coin Correction Act"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6548. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 8471)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6549. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 7693)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6550. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 9975)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6551. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 9963)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6552. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 9964)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6553. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 9972)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6554. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 12289)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6555. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 12297)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6556. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 12298)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6557. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 9947)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6558. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 7692)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6559. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 9948)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6560. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 7688)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6561. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations (71 FR 9950)" received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6562. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility (71 FR 4829)" (Doc. No. FEMA-7909) received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6563. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6564. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Personnel Management's 2005 Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act Inventory and Inventory Summary; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6565. A communication from the Director, National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Foundation's Fiscal Year 2005 Performance Highlights Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6566. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's competitive sourcing initiative report for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6567. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Program Performance Report for Fiscal Year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6568. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Anti-discrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (the No Fear Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6569. A communication from the Under Secretary for Management, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Competitive Sourcing Efforts Report for Fiscal Year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6570. A communication from the Chief, Human Capital Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a change in previously submitted reported information, the designation of an acting officer, and a nomination for the position of Chief Financial Officer, received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6571. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Letter Report: District of Columbia Auditor's Concerns Regarding the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the District of Columbia's Non-disclosure of Pertinent Information Regarding the Fiscal Year (FY) 2006 General Purpose General Fund Revenue Estimate"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6572. A communication from Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Chief Human Capital Officers Counsel's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6573. A communication from the General Counsel, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "AmeriCorps Grant Applications from Professional Corps" (RIN3045-AA46) received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6574. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General for Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursu-

ant to law, the Department's Fiscal Year 2005 inventory of inherently governmental and commercial activities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6575. A communication from Chief Executive Officer, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Federal Prison Industries, Inc. Fiscal Year 2005 Annual Report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6576. A communication from the Deputy Director, Regulations and Rulings Division, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Changes to Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Regulations Due to the Homeland Security Act of 2002" ((RIN1513-AA80)(T.D. TTB-44)) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6577. A communication from the Deputy Director, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Immigrant Visas for Fourth Preference Employment-Based Broadcasters" (RIN1615-AA47) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6578. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Office of Disability and Income Security Programs, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Filing of Applications and Requirements for Widow's and Widower's Benefits" (RIN0960-AG32) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6579. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Review Process for Adjudicating Initial Disability Claims" (RIN0960-AG31) received on April 27, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6580. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Statutory Mergers and Consolidations" ((RIN1545-BF36)(TD 9259)) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6581. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application of Separate Limitations to Dividends from Noncontrolled Section 902 Corporations" ((RIN1545-BF46)(TD 9260)) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6582. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Eligibility Requirements for USDA Graded Shell Eggs" ((RIN0581-AC50)(PY-98-006)) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6583. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nectarines and Peaches Grown in California; Revision of Handling Requirements for Fresh Nectarines and Peaches" (FV06-916/917-1 IFR) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6584. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sweet Cherries Grown in Designated Counties in Washington; Removal of Con-

tainer Regulations" (FV06-923-1 IFR) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6585. A communication from the Regulatory Officer, Directives and Regulations Branch, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sale and Disposal of National Forest System Timber; Free Use to Individuals; Delegation of Authority" (RIN0596-AC09) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6586. A communication from the Regulatory Officer, Directives and Regulations Branch, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Land Uses; Special Uses; Recovery of Costs for Processing Special Use Applications and Monitoring Compliance with Special Use Authorizations" (RIN0596-AB36) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6587. A communication from the Regulatory Officer, Directives and Regulations Branch, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Resource Agency Procedures for Conditions and Prescriptions in Hydropower Licenses" (RIN0596-AC42) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6588. A communication from the Regulatory Officer, Directives and Regulations Branch, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sale and Disposal of National Forest System Timber; Timber Sale Contracts; Indices to Determine Market-Related Contract Term Additions" (RIN0596-AC29) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6589. A communication from the Regulatory Officer, Directives and Regulations Branch, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Recreation Fees" (RIN0596-AC35) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6590. A communication from the Regulatory Officer, Directives and Regulations Branch, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Forest System Land Management Planning" (RIN0596-AC43) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6591. A communication from the Chairman, Inland Waterways Users Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's 2006 annual report relative to the investment strategy for the preservation, protection, and enhancement of the Nation's inland navigation system; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6592. A communication from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Fiscal Year 2004 implementation of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) Land Withdrawal Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6593. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of the Clean Air Act, Section 112(I), Authority for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Perchloroethylene Dry Cleaner Regulation Maine Department of Environmental Protection" (FRL No. 8049-9) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6594. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus Thuringiensis VIP3A Insect Control Protein and the Genetic Material Necessary for its Production in Cotton; Extension of a Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 7772-7) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6595. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Georgia: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 8161-2) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6596. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "OMB Approvals Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; Technical Amendment" (FRL No. 8161-7) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6597. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendments to the Highway and Nonroad Diesel Regulations" (FRL No. 8161-9) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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. LUGAR:

S. 2683. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-cyanopyridine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 2684. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Mixed Xylidines; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 2685. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain textured rolled glass sheets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself and Mr. INOUE):

S. 2686. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 2687. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to stabilize the amount of the Medicare part B premium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ISAKSON:

S. 2688. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage private philanthropy; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. 2689. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase certain alternative fuel and vehicle tax incentives and to eliminate certain tax incentives for major integrated oil companies, 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. LUGAR:

S. Res. 456. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the discussion by the North Atlantic Council of secure, sustainable, and reliable sources of energy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CRAIG, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. Res. 457. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the citizens of the United States and the United States Government have serious concerns regarding the release of convicted terrorist and murderer Mohammad Ali Hammadi by the Government of Germany; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. SANTORUM, and Mr. TALENT):

S. Res. 458. A resolution affirming that statements of national unity, including the National Anthem, should be recited or sung in English; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DODD:

S. Con. Res. 90. A concurrent resolution acknowledging African descendants of the transatlantic slave trade in all of the Americas with an emphasis on descendants in Latin America and the Caribbean, recognizing the injustices suffered by these African descendants, and recommending that the United States and the international community work to improve the situation of Afro-descendant communities in Latin America and the Caribbean; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. Con. Res. 91. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the President should posthumously award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Leroy Robert "Satchel" Paige; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 283

At the request of Mrs. DOLE, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 283, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for the transportation of food for charitable purposes.

S. 331

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 331, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

S. 368

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 368, a bill to provide assistance to reduce teen pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, and other sexually transmitted diseases and to support healthy adolescent development.

S. 619

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr.

REID) was added as a cosponsor of S. 619, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 843

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. 843, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to combat autism through research, screening, intervention and education.

S. 1035

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) were added as cosponsors of S. 1035, a bill to authorize the presentation of commemorative medals on behalf of Congress to Native Americans who served as Code Talkers during foreign conflicts in which the United States was involved during the 20th century in recognition of the service of those Native Americans to the United States.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1086, a bill to improve the national program to register and monitor individuals who commit crimes against children or sex offenses.

S. 1358

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1358, a bill to protect scientific integrity in Federal research and policymaking.

S. 1774

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1774, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the activities of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute with respect to research on pulmonary hypertension.

S. 1998

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1998, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to enhance protections relating to the reputation and meaning of the Medal of Honor and other military decorations and awards, and for other purposes.

S. 2025

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) were added as cosponsors of S. 2025, a bill to promote the national security and stability of the United States economy by reducing the dependence of the United States on oil through the use of alternative fuels and new technology, and for other purposes.