

by Public Law 108-375, and the order of the House of December 18, 2005, the Speaker reappoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy: Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan.

At 3:00 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, 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. 483. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

At 6:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 3850. An act to improve ratings quality for the protection of investors and in the public interest by fostering accountability, transparency, and competition in the credit rating agency industry.

At 6:57 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Chiappardi, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5347. An act to reauthorize the HOPE VI program for revitalization of public housing projects.

H.R. 6166. An act to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize trial by military commission for violations of the law of war, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 176. An act to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska.

S. 244. An act to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming.

H.R. 2066. An act to amend title 40, United States Code, to establish a Federal Acquisition Service, to replace the General Supply Fund and the Information Technology Fund with an Acquisition Services Fund, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5074. An act to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 to provide for continued payment of railroad retirement annuities by the Department of the treasury, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5187. An act to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize additional appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts for fiscal year 2007.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

S. 3936. A bill to invest in innovation and education to improve the competitiveness of the United States in the global economy.

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 4377. An act to extend the time required for construction of a hydroelectric project, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4417. An act to provide for the reinstatement of a license for a certain Federal Energy Regulatory project.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 5132. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including in the National Park System certain sites in Monroe County, Michigan, relating to the Battles of the River Raisin during the War of 1812.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate announced that on today, September 27, 2006, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 1275. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7172 North Tongass Highway, Ward Cove, Alaska, as the "Alice R. Brusich Post Office Building".

S. 1323. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located on Lindbald Avenue, Girdwood, Alaska, as the "Dorothy and Connie Hibbs Post Office Building".

S. 2690. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8801 Sudley road in Manassas, Virginia, as the "Harry J. Parrish Post Office".

S. 3525. An act to amend part B of title IV of the Social Security Act to reauthorize the promoting safe and stable families program, 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-8435. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Table Grapes from Namibia" (Docket No. APHIS-2006-0025) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8436. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Review Group, Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Storage, Handling, and Ginning Requirements for Cotton Marketing Assistance Loan Collateral" (RIN0560-AH48) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8437. A communication from the Under Secretary, Research Education Economics, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Research Initiative Competitive Grants Program—Revisions to Administrative Provisions" (RIN0524-AA32) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8438. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Comprehensive Everglades Res-

toration Plan; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8439. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Late Seasons and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds" (RIN1018-AU42) received on September 21, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8440. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations on Certain Federal Indian Reservations and Ceded Lands for the 2006-07 Early Season" (RIN1018-AU42) received on September 21, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8441. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Final Frameworks for Late Season Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations" (RIN1018-AU42) received on September 21, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8442. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad and the export of defense articles or defense services in the amount of \$50,000,000 to Jordan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8443. 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 "Rural Health Clinics: Amendments to Participation Requirements and Payment Provisions; and Establishment of a Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement Program; Suspension of Effectiveness" ((RIN0938-AJ17)(CMS-1910-IFC)) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8444. 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 "Fire Safety Requirements for Certain Health Care Facilities: Alcohol-Based Hand Sanitizer Amendment" ((RIN0938-AN36)(CMS-3145-F)) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8445. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Court Orders and Legal Processes Affecting Thrift Savings Plan Accounts" (5 CFR Part 1653) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8446. 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 "Bentazon, Carboxin, Dipropyl Isocinchomerone, Oil of Lemongrass (Oil of Lemon) and Oil of Orange; Tolerance Actions" (FRL No. 8093-5) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8447. 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 "Flufenoxuron; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8092-3) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8448. 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 "Metconazole; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8085-2) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8449. 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 "Quizalofop Ethyl; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8094-5) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8450. 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 "p-Chlorophenoxyacetic Acid, Glyphosate, Difenzoquat, and Hexazinone; Tolerance Actions" (FRL No. 8089-6) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8451. 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 "Pendimethalin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8092-6) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8452. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza; Voluntary Control Program and Payment of Indemnity" (Docket No. APHIS-2005-0109) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8453. 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 and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Emission Reductions to Meet Phase II of the Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x) SIP Call" (FRL No. 8225-1) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8454. 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 and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Additional NO_x Emission Reductions to Support Philadelphia-Trenton-Wilmington One-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area, and Remaining NO_x SIP Call Requirements" (FRL No. 8224-9) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8455. 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 and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Texas; Revisions to Control Volatile Organic Compound Emis-

sions; Volatile Organic Compound Control for El Paso, Gregg, Nueces, and Victoria Counties and the Ozone Standard Nonattainment Areas of Beaumont/Port Arthur, Dallas/Fort Worth, and Houston/Galveston" (FRL No. 8224-7) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8456. 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 "National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter" (FRL No. 8225-3) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8457. 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 "National Priorities List, Final Rule" (FRL No. 8223-3) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8458. 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 "Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Listing of Substitutes for Ozone-Depleting Substances—Fire Suppression and Explosion Protection" ((RIN2060-AM24) (FRL No. 8223-4)) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8459. 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 "Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Notice 21 for Significant New Alternatives Policy Program" ((RIN2060-AG12) (FRL No. 8223-9)) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8460. 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 "Withdrawal of Certain Chemical Substances from Preliminary Assessment Information Reporting and Health and Safety Data Reporting Rules" ((RIN2070-AB08) (FRL No. 8096-5)) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8461. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act for the six months ending December 31, 2005; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8462. A communication from the Director, Regulations Management, Board of Veterans' Appeals, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Board of Veterans' Appeals: Clarification of a Notice of Disagreement" (RIN2900-AL97) received on September 22, 2006; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1848. A bill to promote remediation of inactive and abandoned mines, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-351).

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 3630. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize a program relating to the Lake Pontchartrain Basin, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-352).

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment:

H.R. 3929. A bill to amend the Water Desalination Act of 1996 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to assist in research and development, environmental and feasibility studies, and preliminary engineering for the Municipal Water District of Orange County, California, Dana Point Desalination Project located at Dana Point, California (Rept. No. 109-353).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. STEVENS for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Calvin L. Scovel, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Transportation.

*Charles Darwin Snelling, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term expiring May 30, 2012.

*David H. Pryor, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2008.

*Chris Boskin, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2012.

*Sharon Lynn Hays, of Virginia, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

*Cynthia A. Glassman, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs.

*Collister Johnson, Jr., of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation for a term of seven years.

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the Records on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Coast Guard nominations beginning with Paul S. Szwed and ending with Brigid M. Pavilonis, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 20, 2006.

Coast Guard nominations beginning with Margaret A. Blomme and ending with Rickey D. Thomas, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 21, 2006.

Coast Guard nominations beginning with Meredith L. Austin and ending with Werner A. Winz, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 21, 2006.

Coast Guard nominations beginning with Joyce E. Aivalotis and ending with Jose M. Zuniga, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 21, 2006.

By Mr. GRASSLEY for the Committee on Finance.