

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-221. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2006 through September 30, 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-222. A communication from the Secretary for Regulatory Policy and Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Filipino Veterans' Benefits Improvements" (RIN2900-AK65) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-223. A communication from the Director of Regulatory Management, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical: Informed Consent—Extension of Time Period and Modification of Witness Requirement for Signature Consent" (RIN2900-AM19) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-224. A communication from the Director of Regulatory Management, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transfer of Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty Entitlement to Dependents" (RIN2900-AM12) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-225. A communication from the Chief of the Immigration Unit, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Board of Immigration Appeals: Composition of Board and Temporary Board Members" ((RIN1125-AA57) (EOIR No. 158I)) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-226. A communication from the Senior Counsel, United States Marshals Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplement to Justice Department Procedures and Council on Environmental Quality Regulations to Ensure Compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act" ((RIN1105-AB13) (USMS 101)) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-227. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the need for existing bankruptcy judgeships; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-228. A communication from the Acting Director, Regulations and Rulings Division, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Shawnee Hills Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AA70) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-229. A communication from the Acting Director, Regulations and Rulings Division, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Chehalem Mountains Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AA57) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-230. A communication from the Junior Past National Treasurer, Navy Wives Clubs of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the latest audit of the organization; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-231. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarification of Registration Require-

ments for Individual Practitioners" (RIN1117-AA89) received on December 21, 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-232. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report of the National Institute of Justice for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-233. A communication from the Secretary of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the submission of its report on Defense base closures and realignments; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-234. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the national emergency declared by Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-235. A communication from the Deputy Chief Counsel, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transportation Worker Identification Credential Implementation in the Maritime Sector; Hazardous Materials Endorsement for a Commercial Driver's License" (RIN1652-AA41) received on January 3, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-236. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's competitive sourcing efforts for fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-237. A communication from the Chief Information Office and the Chief Privacy Officer, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to activities that affect privacy; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

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. ALLARD (for himself and Mr. SALAZAR):

S. 194. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 North Frontage Road West in Vail, Colorado, as the "Gerald R. Ford, Jr. Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. THUNE, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 195. A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to establish permanent authority for the Secretary of Agriculture to quickly provide disaster relief to agricultural producers that incur crop or livestock losses as a result of damaging weather or related condition in federally declared disaster areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. SALAZAR):

S. 196. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to deny Federal retirement benefits to individuals convicted of certain offenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. REID, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 197. A bill to authorize salary adjustments for justices and judges of the United

States for fiscal year 2007; considered and passed.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 198. A bill to improve authorities to address urgent nonproliferation crises and United States nonproliferation operations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 199. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Amendments of 1996 to modify the grant program to improve sanitation in rural and Native villages in the State of Alaska; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 200. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and the United States Geological Survey, to conduct a study on groundwater resources in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 201. A bill to establish a grant program for individuals still suffering health effects as a result of the September 11, 2001, attacks in New York City and at the Pentagon; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 202. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain Forest Service land to the city of Coffman Cove, Alaska; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 203. A bill to provide equitable treatment for the people of the Village Corporation established for the Native Village of Saxman, Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 204. A bill for the relief of Ziad Mohamed Shaban Khweis, Heyam Ziad Khweis, and Juman Ziad Khweis; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 205. A bill to grant rights-of-way for electric transmission lines over certain Native allotments in the State of Alaska; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. Res. 21. A resolution recognizing the uncommon valor of Wesley Autrey of New York, New York; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1

At the request of Mr. BROWN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1, a bill to provide greater transparency in the legislative process.

S. 2

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2, a bill