

of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulatory Streamlining of the Farm Service Agency's Direct Farm Loan Programs; Conforming Changes" (RIN0560-AF60) received on January 7, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4649. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Review Group, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulatory Streamlining of the Farm Service Agency's Direct Farm Loan Programs; Final Rule" (RIN0560-AF60) received on January 7, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4650. A communication from the Chairman, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Administration's Annual Performance Budget for fiscal year 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4651. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (72 FR 68748) received on January 8, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4652. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (72 FR 68750) received on January 8, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4653. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" (72 FR 67663) received on January 8, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4654. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" (72 FR 68752) received on January 8, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4655. A communication from the Secretary, Bureau of Certification and Licensing, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Filing of Proof of Financial Responsibility" (FMC Docket No. 07-06) received on January 8, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4656. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the use of Federal power allocations by Indian tribes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4657. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocation of Prepaid Qualified Mortgage Insurance Premiums for 2007" (Notice 2008-15) received on January 14, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4658. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2007 Section 832 Salvage Discount Factors" (Rev. Proc. 2008-11) received on January 23, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4659. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, trans-

mitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to projects that will be conducted under the Medicare Hospital Gainsharing Demonstration; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON JANUARY 22, 2008

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany S. 2248, An original bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, to modernize and streamline the provisions of that Act, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-258).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

H.R. 735. A bill to designate the Federal building under construction at 799 First Avenue in New York, New York, as the "Ronald H. Brown United States Mission to the United Nations Building".

S. 862. A bill to designate the Federal building located at 210 Walnut Street in Des Moines, Iowa, as the "Neal Smith Federal Building".

S. 1189. A bill to designate the Federal building and United States Courthouse located at 100 East 8th Avenue in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, as the "George Howard, Jr. Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

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. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2545. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare Advantage benchmark adjustment for certain local areas with VA medical centers and for certain contiguous areas; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 2546. A bill to reduce the risks to Colorado communities and water supplies from severe wildfires, especially in areas affected by insect infestations, to provide model legislation that may be applied to other States experiencing similar insect infestations or other forest-related problems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BOND:

S. 2547. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce taxes by providing an alternative determination of income tax liability for individuals, repealing the estate and gift taxes, reducing corporate income tax rates, reducing the maximum tax for individuals on capital gains and dividends to 10 percent, indexing the basis of assets for purposes of determining capital gain or loss, creating tax-free accounts for retirement savings, lifetime savings, and life skills, repealing the adjusted gross income threshold in the medical care deduction for individuals under age 65 who have no employer health coverage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida:

S. 2548. A bill to provide for the payment of interest on claims paid by the United States in connection with the correction of military records when a military corrections board sets aside a conviction by court-martial; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. REID (for Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2549. A bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish an Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice to provide guidance to Federal agencies on the development of criteria for identifying disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority populations and low-income populations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 2550. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain debts owed to the United States by members of the Armed Forces and veterans who die as a result of an injury incurred or aggravated on active duty in a combat zone, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. BUNNING):

S. Res. 421. A resolution honoring the 150th anniversary of the American Printing House for the Blind; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. Res. 422. A resolution commending the Louisiana State University Tigers football team for winning the 2007 Bowl Championship Series national championship game; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ALLARD (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. SALAZAR):

S. Res. 423. A resolution seeking the return of the USS Pueblo to the United States Navy; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID:

S. Res. 424. A resolution electing Lula Johnson Davis, of Maryland, as Secretary for the Majority of the Senate; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 55

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 55, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the individual alternative minimum tax.

S. 617

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 617, a bill to make the National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass available at a discount to certain veterans.

S. 1003

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1003, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to emergency medical services and the quality and efficiency of care furnished in emergency departments of hospitals and critical access hospitals by establishing a bipartisan commission to examine factors that affect the effective