

Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8673. A communication from the Program Manager of the Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Home Health Prospective Payment System Rate Update for Calendar Year 2009" (RIN0938-AP20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8674. A communication from the Deputy Director for Operations, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8675. A communication from the Administrator of the Office of Apprenticeship, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Apprenticeship Programs, Labor Standards for Registration, Amendment of Regulations" (RIN1205-AB50) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8676. A communication from Director of the 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 "Amendments to the Current Good Manufacturing Practice Regulations for Finished Pharmaceuticals" (Docket No. FDA-2007-N-0379) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8677. A communication from Director of the 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 "Amendments to the Current Good Manufacturing Practice Regulations for Finished Pharmaceuticals; Final Rule; Correction" (Docket No. FDA-2007-N-0379) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8678. A communication from Director of the 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 "Distribution of Certain Drug Products by Registered Blood Establishments and Comprehensive Hemophilia Diagnostic Treatment Centers That Qualify as Health Care Entities; Prescription Drug Marketing Act of 1987; Prescription Drug Amendments of 1992; Policies, Requirements and Administrative Procedures" (Docket No. FDA-2005-N-0345) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8679. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Statistical Programs of the United States Government: Fiscal Year 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8680. A communication from the Acting Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy

Division, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Veterans' Preference" (RIN3206-AL33) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8681. A communication from the Acting Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy Division, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nonforeign Area Cost-of-Living Allowance Rates; Alaska" (RIN3206-AL37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8682. A communication from the Acting Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy Division, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reemployment Rights" (RIN3206-AI19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8683. A communication from the Acting Director, Center for Pay and Leave Administration, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repayment of Student Loans" (RIN3206-AK51) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8684. A communication from the Deputy White House Liaison, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of action on a nomination for the position of Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8685. A communication from the Secretary of the Senate, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the receipts and expenditures of the Senate for the period from April 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008; ordered to lie on the table.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany S. 1924, a bill to amend chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code, to create a presumption that a disability or death of a Federal employee in fire protection activities caused by any of certain diseases is the result of the performance of such employee's duty (Rept. No. 110-520).

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

Report to accompany S. 980, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to address online pharmacies (Rept. No. 110-521).

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. INHOFE:

S. 3683. A bill to amend the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act to require approval by the Congress for certain expenditures for the Troubled Asset Relief Program; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. BOND, Mr. LEVIN, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 3684. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an above-the-line deduction against individual income tax for interest in indebtedness and for State sales and excise taxes with respect to the purchase of certain motor vehicles; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 3685. A bill to prohibit the selling and counterfeiting of tickets for a Presidential inaugural ceremony; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 3686. A bill to establish an Office of Foreclosure Evaluation to coordinate the responsibilities of the Department of the Treasury, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Federal Housing Administration, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and other Federal Government entities regarding foreclosure prevention, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3687. A bill to prohibit the admission of an alien who was detained as an enemy combatant at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba unless the President determines that such admission is consistent with the national security of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID:

S. 3688. A bill to provide for additional emergency unemployment compensation, to amend the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to authorize loans to automobile manufacturers and component suppliers, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. BYRD):

S. 3689. A bill making supplemental appropriations for job creation and preservation, infrastructure investment, and economic and energy assistance for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 3690. A bill to help struggling families stay in their homes and to ensure that taxpayers are protected when the Secretary of the Treasury purchases equity shares in financial situations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

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

S. Res. 706. A resolution to authorize testimony and legal representation in *Peter Bergel v. Pacific Gas & Electric*; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 407

At the request of Mr. VITTER, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 407, a bill to amend the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 to designate a portion of Interstate Route 14 as a high priority corridor, and for other purposes.