

of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anchorage Regulations; Port of New York" ((RIN1625-AA01)(Docket No. USCG-2008-0155)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1184. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Coast Guard Base San Juan, San Juan Harbor, Puerto Rico" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2008-0440)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1185. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Coast Guard Air Station San Francisco Airborne Use of Force Judgmental Training Flights" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2009-0063)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1186. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Baltimore Captain of the Port Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2008-0129)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1187. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Naval Underwater Detonation; Northwest Harbor, San Clemente Island, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2009-0046)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1188. A communication from the Project Counsel, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consolidation of Merchant Mariner Qualification Credentials" ((RIN1625-AB02)(Docket No. USCG-2006-24371)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1189. A communication from the Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule To Identify the Western Great Lakes Populations of Gray Wolves as a Distinct Population Segment and To Revise the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife" (RIN1018-AW41) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1190. A communication from the Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule to Identify the Northern Rocky Mountain Population of Gray Wolf as a Distinct Population Segment and to Revise the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife" (RIN1018-AW37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1191. A communication from the Regulation Coordinator of the Center for Medi-

caid and State Operations, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Program; Premiums and Cost Sharing" (RIN0938-AO47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 31, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1192. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Security-Related Assistance Provided by the United States to the Countries of Central Asia"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1193. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "United States Participation in the United Nations; A Report by the Secretary of State to the Congress for the Year 2007"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1194. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to U.S. support for Taiwan's participation as an observer at the 62nd World Health Assembly and in the work of the World Health Organization; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1195. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more with Mexico; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1196. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed export of defense services and defense articles in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Spain; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1197. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles or defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more with Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1198. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Turkey; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1199. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for the export of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more with Italy and the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1200. A communication from the Acting Director, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044)

and "Annual Financial and Actuarial Information Reporting; Pension Protection Act of 2006" (RIN1212-AB09) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1201. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Federal Employee Anti-Discrimination and Retaliation Act; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1202. A communication from the Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to agency compliance with the Freedom of Information Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-16. A petition transmitted by a private citizen relative to the Long-Term Care Security Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN, from the Committee on Armed Services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 454. A bill to improve the organization and procedures of the Department of Defense for the acquisition of major weapon systems, and for other purposes.

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

S. 515. A bill to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with amendments and with a preamble:

S. Con. Res. 11. A concurrent resolution condemning all forms of anti-Semitism and reaffirming the support of Congress for the mandate of the Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mr. AKAKA for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

*W. Scott Gould, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

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. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BAYH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr.