

Mr. Zapata, 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. 23. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Merchant Mariner Equity Compensation Fund to provide benefits to certain individuals who served in the United States merchant marine (including the Army Transport Service and the Naval Transport Service) during World War II.

H.R. 1178. An act to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the use of Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2020. An act to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize activities for support of networking and information technology research, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 23. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Merchant Mariner Equity Compensation Fund to provide benefits to certain individuals who served in the United States merchant marine (including the Army Transport Service and the Naval Transport Service) during World War II; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 1178. An act to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the use of Civil Air Patrol personnel and resources to support homeland security missions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2020. An act to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize activities for support of networking and information technology research, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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-1552. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's 2008 report to Congress on the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1553. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of T 37 Jet Trainer Aircraft and Parts from the Commerce Control List" (RIN0694-AC74) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1554. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the DTV Delay Act" (MB Docket No. 09-17) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2009; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1555. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Oolitic and Worthington, Indiana)" (MB Docket No. 07-125) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1556. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Kihei, Hawaii)" (MB Docket No. 08-217) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1557. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Cuba, Illinois)" (MB Docket No. 07-175) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1558. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Marquez, Texas)" (MB Docket No. 08-196) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1559. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.622(i), Final DTV Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations (Cadillac, Michigan)" (MB Docket No. 08-252) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1560. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.622(i), Final DTV Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations (Bryan, Texas)" (MB Docket No. 09-34) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1561. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Directed Fishing With Trawl Gear by American Fisheries Act Catcher Processors in Bycatch Limitation Zone 1 of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XO32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1562. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inseason Trip Limit Reduction for the Commercial Fishery for Golden Tilefish for the 2009 Fishing Year" (RIN0648-XO46) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1563. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries,

National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in the West Yakutat District of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XO30) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1564. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in the West Yakutat District of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XO32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1565. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in the West Yakutat District of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XO73) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1566. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska; Correction" (RIN0648-AX01) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1567. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Revisions to the Pollock Trip Limit Regulations in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-AW54) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1568. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; Total Allowable Catch Harvested for Management Area 2" (RIN0648-XO47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1569. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; 2009 Georges Bank Cod Hook Sector Operations Plan and Agreement, and Allocation of Georges Bank Cod Total Allowable Catch" (RIN0648-XM11) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1570. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; 2009 Georges