

H.R. 1209. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the establishment of the Medal of Honor in 1861, America's highest award for valor in action against an enemy force which can be bestowed upon an individual serving in the Armed Services of the United States, to honor the American military men and women who have been recipients of the Medal of Honor, and to promote awareness of what the Medal of Honor represents and how ordinary Americans, through courage, sacrifice, selfless service and patriotism, can challenge fate and change the course of history; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 2187. An act to direct the Secretary of Education to make grants to State educational agencies for the modernization, renovation, or repair of public school facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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-1637. A communication from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the notification of Congress that during the period of January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008, no exceptions to the prohibition against favored treatment of a government securities broker or government securities dealer were granted by the Secretary of the Treasury; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1638. A communication from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to material violations or suspected material violations of regulations relating to Treasury auctions and other Treasury securities offerings for the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1639. A communication from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to significant modifications to the auction process for issuing United States Treasury obligations; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1640. A communication from the Assistant Director for Policy, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule Amending the Terrorism List Governments Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Parts 596) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2009; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1641. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to programs and projects of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1642. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a Determination and Certification under Section 40A of the Arms Export Control Act relative to countries not cooperating fully with United States antiterrorism efforts; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1643. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2009-0062-2009-0067); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1644. A communication from the Acting Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Delays in Approvals of Applications Related to Citizen Petitions and Petitions for Stay of Agency Action for Fiscal Year 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1645. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel and Designated Reporting Official, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a confirmation in the position of Director of National Drug Control Policy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 13, 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1646. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's activities regarding civil rights era homicides; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1647. A communication from the Deputy Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Measurement, Science and Engineering Research Grants Programs; Availability of Funds" (RIN0693-ZA84) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 6, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1648. A communication from the Deputy Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Construction Grant Program Notice of Availability of Funds" (RIN0693-ZA81) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 6, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1649. A communication from the Deputy Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Precision Measurement Grants Programs; Availability of Funds" (RIN0693-ZA83) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 6, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1650. A communication from the Deputy Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships (SURF) NIST Gaithersburg and Boulder Programs; Availability of Funds" (RIN0693-ZA85) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 6, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1651. A communication from the Deputy Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technology Innovation Program (TIP) Notice of Availability of Funds and Announcement of Public Meeting (Proposers' Conference)" (RIN0693-ZA89) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 6, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1652. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administra-

tion, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments" ((Docket No. 30663) (Amendment No. 3318)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1653. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Requirements for Private Use Transport Category Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AI61) (Docket No. FAA-2007-28250)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1654. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments" ((Docket No. 30664) (Amendment No. 3319)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1655. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class D and Class E Airspace; Albemarle, NC" ((Docket No. FAA-2009-0203) (Airspace Docket No. 09-ASO-12)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1656. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation Model S-92A Helicopters" ((Docket No. FAA-2009-0351) (Directorate Identifier 2009-SW-08-AD)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1657. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Rutland, VT" ((Docket No. FAA-2008-1076) (Airspace Docket No. 08-ANE-102)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1658. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Refugio, TX" ((Docket No. FAA-2009-0241) (Airspace Docket No. 09-ASW-6)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1659. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Clewiston, FL" ((Docket No. FAA-2008-1168) (Airspace Docket No. 08-ASO-19)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1660. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace;

Russellville, AL" (Docket No. FAA-2008-1094) (Airspace Docket No. 08-ASO-18)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1661. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Morehead, KY" (Docket No. FAA-2008-0809) (Airspace Docket No. 08-ASO-13)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1662. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 737-100, -200, -200C, -300 -400 and -500 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2008-1070)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1663. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emission Standards for Turbine Engine Powered Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AJ41)(Docket No. FAA-2009-0112)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1664. A Communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Communication and Area Navigation Equipment (RNAV) Operations in Remote Locations and Mountainous Terrain" ((RIN2120-AJ46)(Docket No. FAA-2002-14002)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1665. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A318, A319, A320, and A321 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2008-1327)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1666. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 737-100, -200, -200C, -300 -400 and -500 Series Airplanes" ((RIN 2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2008-1275)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1667. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2008-1239)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1668. 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 October 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009 received in the Office of the President of the Senate during an adjournment of the Senate on May 15, 2009; ordered to lie on the table.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mr. DORGAN for the Committee on Indian Affairs.

*Larry J. Echo Hawk, of Utah, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

*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. CRAPO:

S. 1059. A bill to permit commercial vehicles at weights up to 129,000 pounds to use certain highways of the Interstate System in the State of Idaho which would provide significant savings in the transportation of goods throughout the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 1060. A bill to comprehensively prevent, treat, and decrease overweight and obesity in our Nation's populations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWN:

S. 1061. A bill to reauthorize the Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning Fund and to direct the Secretary of Energy to provide a plan for the re-enrichment of certain uranium tailings; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 1062. A bill to amend the Beef Research and Information Act to allow the promotion of beef that is born and raised exclusively in the United States and to establish new referendum requirements; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. BROWN:

S. 1063. A bill to amend the USEC Privatization Act to authorize the Secretary of Energy to pay affected participants under a pension plan referred to in the USEC Privatization Act for benefit increases not received; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BURRIS, and Mrs. McCASKILL):

S. 1064. A bill to amend the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to provide for enhanced State and local oversight of activities conducted under such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 1065. A bill to authorize State and local governments to direct divestiture from, and prevent investment in, companies with investments of \$20,000,000 or more in Iran's energy sector, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CONRAD, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 1066. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to

ambulance services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 370

At the request of Mr. JOHANNIS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 370, a bill to prohibit the use of funds to transfer detainees of the United States at Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to any facility in the United States or to construct any facility for such detainees in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 448

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. HAGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 448, a bill to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media.

S. 475

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 475, a bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the equity of spouses of military personnel with regard to matters of residency, and for other purposes.

S. 511

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 511, a bill to amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an exemption of pharmacies and pharmacists from certain Medicare accreditation requirements in the same manner as such exemption applies to certain professionals.

S. 614

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 614, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the Women Airforce Service Pilots ("WASP").

S. 658

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 658, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve health care for veterans who live in rural areas, and for other purposes.

S. 676

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 676, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax rate for excise tax on investment income of private foundations.

S. 707

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 707, a bill to enhance the Federal Telework Program.

S. 726

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico