

its shipping and receiving chain, enabling it to save jobs and eliminate waste in the process. These resourceful changes have created a sense of company-wide camaraderie and further enhanced Xuron's competitiveness overseas.

While Xuron's products can be found around the world, the company's success directly helps people in the United States. For example, after Hurricane Katrina ravaged the gulf coastline in 2005, Xuron generously gave employee and corporate donations to the Bush-Clinton Katrina Relief Fund to rebuild areas damaged by the catastrophic natural disaster. The company's donations helped Gulf State Americans rebuild after an unprecedented tragedy, demonstrating Xuron's selfless commitment to helping individuals across the country.

Throughout history, Americans have shown a unique ability to overcome and succeed through hard times. Xuron is a shining example of American resilience as employees have worked together, retrained, and excelled through tough and uncertain economic climates. Their inspiring story demonstrates the tenacity of American small businesses, and particularly illuminates the strength found within the American manufacturing sector. I am extremely proud of Xuron's ingenuity and sincerely wish the company continued success in the coming years. ●

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 2191. A bill to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities.

#### 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-5335. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyriofenone; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9336-6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5336. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aspergillus flavus AF36; Amendment to an Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9341-5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5337. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a re-

port relative to the Secretary's personnel management demonstration project authorities for Department of Defense Science and Technology Reinvention Laboratories; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5338. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to authorizing a 90 percent guarantee on a supply chain finance facility involving The Bank of Nova Scotia, located in Toronto, Canada; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5339. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to authorizing a 90 percent guarantee on a supply chain finance facility involving Royal Bank of Scotland plc, located in Stamford, CT; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5340. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5341. A communication from the Acting Director of Human Resources, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator for Research and Development, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5342. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania; Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Standard for the Philadelphia-Wilmington Nonattainment Area; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule" (FRL No. 9645-6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5343. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Rhode Island; Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9644-6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5344. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee; 110(a) (1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9644-3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5345. A communication from the Director of Congressional Research, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Leakage Tests on Packages for Shipment of Radioactive Material" (Regulatory Guide 7.4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5346. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regu-

latory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Availability of the Model Safety Evaluation for Plant-Specific Adoption of Technical Specifications Task Force Traveler TSTF-505, Revision 1, 'Provide Risk-Informed Extended Completion Times-RITSTF Initiative 4B'" (NRC-2011-0277) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5347. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Fiscal Service, Bureau of Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Payments by Banks and Other Financial Institutions of United States Savings Bonds and United States Savings Notes (Freedom Shares)" and "Regulations Governing Payment under Special Endorsement of United States Savings Bonds and United States Savings Notes (Freedom Shares)" (31 CFR Parts 321, 330) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5348. 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 "Automatic Consent to Change to the Methods of Accounting Provided in the Tangible Property Temporary Regulations" (Rev. Proc. 2012-19 and Rev. Proc. 2012-20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5349. 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 "2012 Calendar Year Resident Population Figures" (Notice 2012-22) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5350. 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 "Guidance Regarding the Repeal of Section 163(f) (2) (B)" (Notice 2012-20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5351. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to the Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Supplier Safeguards" (RIN0938-AQ57) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

#### 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. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 2191. A bill to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities; read the first time.