

meet the needs of its customers and the community. In 2000, the store was featured as one of the Nation's bookstores over 100 years old, and it has been the subject of many magazine and newspaper articles in the past 15 years. When the store mascot, Chloe the cat, died at age 15, she was featured on the front page of the local newspaper, the Times-Georgian. One of the first book signings for Atlanta Journal-Constitution writer Celestine Sibley was held at Horton's, as was her last. Other authors who have visited the store include Mary Kay Andrews, Terry Kay, former Georgia Governor and U.S. Senator Zell Miller, and former U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure and it is a privilege to recognize on the floor of the Senate Horton's Books & Gifts as we honor its place in Georgia history as one of the oldest bookstores in Georgia and in the Nation.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. RICHARD E. WYLIE

● Mr. KERRY. Mr. President, today I wish to bring attention to Dr. Richard E. Wylie, Endicott College's fifth and current president. Through this post and a variety of other positions in higher education, Dr. Wylie has fully devoted himself to academic excellence.

Before assuming his role as president of Endicott College in Beverly, MA, Dr. Wylie served as a professor and administrator at a variety of other institutions, including the University of Connecticut, Temple University, and Lesley College, and served on the board of New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the board at the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Massachusetts. Outside of the classroom, he has written articles on higher education, authored a monograph on bilingual and multicultural education, and published a variety of children's books.

Most recently, Dr. Richard Wylie has overseen the tremendous growth and transformation of Endicott College. When he assumed his role in 1987, Endicott was a small, two-year women's college; through his efforts, the College earned four-year status, became coeducational, tripled its enrollment, and greatly expanded its academic offerings. Today, Endicott College is recognized for its variety of degree programs, including its brand new doctoral program.

Some of our country's greatest assets are educators like Dr. Wylie who go above and beyond the call of duty every single day to instill a love of knowledge in our country's citizens. His commitment to education will inspire his students well beyond graduation and will improve the sense of community and citizenship that is vital to any educational institution, and to this Nation.

I congratulate Dr. Richard E. Wylie on the occasion of his 25th Anniversary

Scholarship Gala, thank him for his service in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and salute all that he's accomplished.●

TRIBUTE TO GLADE SANDERS

● Mr. LEE. Mr. President, today I wish to congratulate Mr. Glade Sanders, a fine Utah resident who was recently honored with the prestigious Outstanding Eagle Scout Award. Only 150 such awards have been bestowed upon individual scouts in the entire country.

Sanders also deserves congratulations for reaching the age of 100. He has spent many of those years working tirelessly in his community, including the period during the Great Depression when he led his local Boy Scouts in Troop 133 as scoutmaster. Troop 133 recently celebrated Sanders and his accomplishments during a Court of Honor.

Sanders joined the scouting program at 17 years of age. Once there, however, he spent 29 years as an active scouter. In those days, scoutmasters could become Eagles, and Sanders became the first Eagle Scout in Nephi, UT, in 1934. He also received Scouting's Silver Beaver Award. Sanders would serve as scoutmaster for 9 years, toughing out the hard times of the Great Depression and helping his scouts do the same in whatever way he could.

Today, Sanders' name is engraved at the top of a plaque recognizing all of the Eagle Scouts of Troop 133. He has dedicated his life to helping others and has earned his reward many times over by seeing young men attain the rank of Eagle. As a fellow scout, I deeply thank him for his service.●

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 10:03 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 473. An act to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. INOUE).

At 10:57 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, 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. 3992. An act to allow otherwise eligible Israeli nationals to receive E-2 non-immigrant visas if similarly situated United States nationals are eligible for similar non-immigrant status in Israel.

H.R. 4086. An act to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 3992. An act to allow otherwise eligible Israeli nationals to receive E-2 non-immigrant visas if similarly situated United States nationals are eligible for similar non-immigrant status in Israel; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4086. An act to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 2204. A bill to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.

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-5377. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Department of Defense counternarcotics support activities (OSS Control No. 2012-0397); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5378. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the National Defense Stockpile (NDS) Annual Materials Plan for fiscal year 2013 and the succeeding 4 years, fiscal years 2014-2017; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5379. 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 and Operating Permits Program; Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; Administrative Changes" (FRL No. 9645-8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5380. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Final Response to Petition From New Jersey Regarding SO₂ Emissions From the Portland Generating Station" (FRL No. 9648-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5381. 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; North Dakota; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan; Federal Implementation Plan for Interstate Transport of Pollution Affecting Visibility and Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9648-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5382. 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; New Jersey; Motor Vehicle

Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance Program" (FRL No. 9635-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5383. 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; Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; State of California; Ozone; Nitrogen Dioxide; Technical Amendments" (FRL No. 9649-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5384. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "OHIO: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9646-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5385. 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; Connecticut; Determination of Attainment of the One-hour Ozone Standard for the Greater Connecticut Area" (FRL No. 9648-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5386. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Priorities List, Final Rule No. 53" (FRL No. 9647-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5387. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oklahoma: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9647-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5388. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transportation Conformity Rule Restructuring Amendments" (FRL No. 9637-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5389. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clean Air Act Full Approval of Title V Operating Permits Program; Southern Ute Indian Tribe" (FRL No. 9646-8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5390. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ongoing Review of Operating Experience" (LR-ISG-2011-05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 15, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5391. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Polyvinyl Chloride and Copolymers Production" (FRL No. 9636-2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5392. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of TSCA Section 4 Testing Requirements for Certain High Production Volume Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9335-6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5393. 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 "Iranian Transactions Regulations" (31 CFR Part 560) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5394. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Actuarial Report on the Financial Outlook for Medicaid"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5395. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, (2) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5396. A communication from the Chair of the Medicaid and CHIP Payment Access Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Medicaid and CHIP"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5397. 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 "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Establishment of Exchanges and Qualified Health Plans; Exchange Standards for Employers" (RIN0938-AQ67) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5398. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities; Swimming Pools" (RIN1190-AA68) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5399. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, a correspondence from the Minister of Foreign Affairs for the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5400. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting a legislative proposal entitled "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2206. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance under laws administered by the Secretary before such individuals receive such assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2207. A bill to require the Office of the Ombudsman of the Transportation Security Administration to appoint passenger advocates at Category X airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by TSA personnel and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 2208. A bill to amend the Export Apple Act to permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification by the Department of Agriculture; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 2209. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 2210. A bill to provide that Members of Congress shall not receive a cost of living adjustment in pay during 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2211. A bill to ban the exportation of crude oil produced on Federal land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 2212. A bill to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) title 28, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. GRAHAM, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. LEE):

S. 2213. A bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. WEBB):

S. 2214. A bill to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.