

this historic legislation a reality upon our return early next year.

FIRST YEAR IN THE SENATE

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, as the first session of the 106th Congress comes to an end, I cannot help but think of what an interesting and exciting first year it has been for me in the United States Senate. The experience has been a wonderful one, to say the least. As my colleagues all well know from their first days in the Senate, setting up a Senate office is a daunting task, and setting one up right does not happen by accident. Many have helped make my transition from the House to the Senate a smooth one, and I would like to take a moment to stop and thank, in particular, the dedicated and loyal employees of the Architect of the Capitol, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Senate Sergeant at Arms who played an integral role in making sure that my staff and I could serve the citizens of New York as effectively as possible.

From the Architect of the Capitol's office, a special thanks goes to the following: Sherry Britton, Michael Cain, Edolphus Carpenter, Tim Chambers, Jerry Coates, David Cox, Darvin Davis, Andre DeVore, Reggie Donahue, Ed Fogle, Bob Garnett, Steve Howell, Donna Hupp, Lamont Jamison, JoAnn Martin, Dwight McBride, Alpha McGee, Richard Muriel, Randy Naylor, James Outlaw, Albert Price, Lindwood Simmons, Sally Tassler, Doug Whittington, Jr., Clarence Williams, Carol Woods, and Greg Young.

Kim Brinkman, Timothy O'Keefe, John Trimble, and Timothy Wineman from the Office of Secretary of the Senate deserve special recognition.

And, from the Senate Sergeant at Arms office, I would like to point out: Roosevelt Allen, Sterret Carter, Robert Croson, Val Fisher, Denise Gresham, Kenneth Lloyd, Michael Lussier, Stacy Norris, Theresa Peel, Dan Templeton, Jeanne Tessieri, and James Wentz.

The professionalism that each of these individuals displayed should be a source of great pride to their bosses, and if I wore a hat, I would tip it to them. But, for now, I hope they will accept my thanks and praise for a job well done.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:02 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, 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. 2541. An act to adjust the boundaries of the Gulf Islands National Seashore to include Cat Island, Mississippi.

H.R. 2818. An act to prohibit oil and gas drilling in Mosquito Creek Lake in Cortland, Ohio.

H.R. 2862. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to release reversionary interests held by the United States in certain parcels of land in Washington County, Utah, to facilitate an anticipated land exchange.

H.R. 2863. An act to clarify the legal effect on the United States of the acquisition of a parcel of land in the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve in the State of Utah.

H.R. 3063. An act to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to increase the maximum acreage of Federal leases for sodium that may be held by an entity in any one State, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3257. An act to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to assist the Congressional Budget Office with the scoring of State and local mandates.

H.R. 3257. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in conjunction with the minting of coins by the Republic of Iceland in commemoration of the millennium of the discovery of the New World by Lief Ericson.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 165. Concurrent resolution expressing United States policy toward the Slovak Republic.

H. Con. Res. 206. Concurrent resolution expressing grave concern regarding armed conflict in the North Caucasus region of the Russian Federation which has resulted in civilian casualties and internally displaced persons, and urging all sides to pursue dialog for peaceful resolution of the conflict.

H. Con. Res. 211. Concurrent resolution expressing the strong support of the Congress for the recently concluded elections in the Republic of India and urging the President to travel to India.

H. Con. Res. 222. Concurrent resolution condemning the assassination of Armenian Prime Minister Vazgen Sargsian and other officials of the Armenian Government and expressing the sense of the Congress in mourning this tragic loss of the duly elected leadership of Armenia.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2116) to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a program of extended care services for veterans and to make other improvements in health care programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The message also reported that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2112) to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow a judge to whom a case is transferred to retain jurisdiction over certain multidistrict litigation cases for trial, and to provide for Federal jurisdiction of certain multiparty, multi-

form civil actions, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two houses thereon; and appoints Mr. HYDE, Mr. SENBRENNER, Mr. COBLE, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. BERMAN, as managers of the conference on the part of the House.

At 11:20 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following joint resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.J. Res. 80. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes.

A message from the House of Representatives, received during the recess of the Senate, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 278. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands to the county of Rio Arriba, New Mexico.

S. 382. An act to establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes.

S. 1235. An act to amend part G of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to allow railroad police officers to attend the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy for law enforcement training.

S. 1398. An act to clarify certain boundaries on maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 416. An act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the city of Sisters, Oregon, a certain parcel of land for use in connection with a sewage treatment facility.

At 3:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3381. An act to reauthorize the Overseas Private Investment Corporation and the Trade and Development Agency, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 4:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 80. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes.

The enrolled joint resolution was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-6181. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export

to the People's Republic of China of an airport runway profiler containing an accelerometer; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6182. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the Chairman of the Futures Trading Commission, transmitting jointly, a report entitled "Over-the-Counter Derivatives Markets and the Commodity Exchange Act"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6183. A communication from the Administrator, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Hog Operation Payment Program" (RIN0560-AF70), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6184. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Dairy Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Milk in the Central Arizona and New Mexico-West Texas Marketing Areas; Suspension of Certain Provisions of the Orders" (Docket No. DA-99-05&09), received November 12, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6185. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Dairy Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Milk in the Texas and Eastern Colorado Marketing Areas; Suspension of Certain Provisions of the Orders" (Docket No. DA-99-08&07), received November 12, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6186. A communication from the Director, Civil Rights Center, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity Provisions of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998" (RIN1292-AA29), received November 16, 1999; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6187. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indirect Food Additives: Resinous and Polymeric Coatings" (Docket No. 91F-0431), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6188. A communication from the Managing Director, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Availability of Unpublished Information" (RIN3069-AA81), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6189. A communication from the Acting Executive Director, Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Board, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Program" (RIN3004-ZA00), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6190. A communication from the Acting Executive Director, Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Program" (RIN3003-ZA00), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6191. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, trans-

mitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Financing of Presidential Primary and General Election Candidates", received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-6192. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Development of a Medical Support Incentive for the Child Support Enforcement program; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6193. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partnership Returns Required on Magnetic Media" (RIN1545-AW14) (TD 8843), received November 10, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6194. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Return of Partnership Income" (RIN1545-AU99) (TD 8841), received November 10, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6195. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acquisition of an S Corporation by a Member of a Consolidated Group" (RIN1545-AW32) (TD 8842), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6196. A communication from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Benefits and Costs of the Clean Air Act, 1990 to 2010"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6197. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Mitigation Project, Alabama and Mississippi; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6198. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting a report entitled "Category for Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic New Chemical Substances" (FRL #6097-7); to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6199. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Determination that State has Corrected Deficiencies; State of Arizona; Maricopa County" (FRL #6468-8), received November 10, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6200. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule for Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, Kern County Air Pollution Control District" (FRL #6462-9), received November 10, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6201. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants: Vermont Negative Declara-

tion" (FRL #6474-1), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6202. A communication from the Director, Office of White House Liaison, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the nomination of a Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6203. A communication from the Chief, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service" (FCC 99-256) (CC Doc. 96-45), received November 8, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6204. A communication from the Chief, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to the Board of Directors of NECA, Inc., Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service" (FCC 99-269) (CC Docs. 97-21 and 96-45), received November 8, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6205. A communication from the Chief, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service" (FCC 99-306) (CC Doc. 96-45), received November 10, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6206. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Bureau Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Biennial Review-Streamlining of Mass Media Applications, Rules, and Processes; Policies Regarding Minority and Female Ownership of Mass Media Facilities" (FCC Docket Nos. 98-43 and 94-149) (FCC 99-267), received November 8, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6207. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Bureau Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Section 73.202(b), Table of FM Allotments; FM Broadcast Stations: Centerville, TX; Iowa Park, TX and Hunt, TX" (MM Docket Nos. 99-257, 99-258 and 99-234), received November 8, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6208. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Bureau Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Section 73.202(b), Table of FM Allotments; FM Broadcast Stations: Marysville and Hilliard, OH" (MM Docket Nos. 98-123, RM-9291), received November 8, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6209. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Fisheries; Large Coastal Shark Species; Fishery Reopening; Fishing Season Notification" (I.D. 052499C), received November 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6210. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement Amendment 16B to the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish

Resources of the Gulf of Mexico" (RIN0648-AL57), received November 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6211. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Mystic River, CT (CGD01-99-079)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0055), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6212. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Housatonic River, CT (CGD01-99-085)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0056), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6213. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Miles River, MD (CGD05-99-003)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0058), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6214. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Sassafas River, Georgetown, MD (CGD05-99-006)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0057), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6215. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Pequonnock River, CT (CGD01-99-086)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0063), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6216. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Hackensack River, Passaic River, NJ (CGD01-99-076)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0062), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6217. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Kennebec River, ME (CGD01-98-174)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0061), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6218. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Illinois River, IL (CGD08-99-014)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0060), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6219. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Niantic River, CT (CGD01-99-087)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0059), received November 15, 1999; to the Com-

mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6220. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draw-bridge Regulations; Kennebec River, ME (CGD01-99-024)" (RIN2115-AE47) (1999-0054), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6221. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regatta Regulations; SLR; City of Augusta, GA (CGD07-99-068)" (RIN2115-AE46) (1999-0042), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6222. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations; Sciamie Construction Fireworks, East River, Manhattan, NY (CGD01-99-181)" (RIN2115-AA97) (1999-0068), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6223. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations; All Coast Guard and Navy Vessels Involved in Evidence Transport, Narragansett Bay, Davisville, RI (CGD01-99-185)" (RIN2115-AA97) (1999-0069), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6224. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Licensing and Manning for Officers of Towing Vessels (USCG-1999-6224)" (RIN2115-AF23) (1999-0001), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6225. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Areas; Strait of Juan de Fuca and Adjacent Waters of Washington; Makah Whale Hunting (CGD-13-98-023)" (RIN2115-AE84) (1999-0004), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6226. 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 April 1, 1999 through September 30, 1999; ordered to lie on the table.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-372. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the Legislature of the State of Michigan relative to tobacco subsidies and food-producing agricultural activities; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 68

Whereas, For many years, even as our country has wrestled with the costly and harmful effects of tobacco use, Americans

have provided financial support for tobacco farming through federal tobacco subsidies. These subsidies include money spent for tobacco crop insurance and price support, in addition to inspection and grading services. While changes in federal agricultural programs and law have significantly reduced money going to tobacco farming and related activities, federal dollars continue to be spent on an endeavor that is harmful to our citizens; and

Whereas, One of the greatest challenges facing humanity in any age is the production of food of sufficient quantity and quality to meet ever-rising needs. Investments in the process of raising crops are among the most important commitments we can make to future generations. Subsidies for food production, research, and marketing hold the potential to touch every citizen in a positive fashion; and

Whereas, With the recent settlement among the states and the tobacco industry, the enormity of the cost tobacco exacts on our society is clear. Any money going to support any aspect of this activity would be far better spent elsewhere; now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to end tobacco subsidies and to redirect this support to food-producing agricultural activities; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany the bill (S. 1877) to amend the Federal Report Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995 (Rept. No. 106-223).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROTH for the Committee on Finance:

Deanna Tanner Okun, of Idaho, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for a term expiring June 16, 2008.

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that she be confirmed, subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

By Mr. HATCH for the Committee on the Judiciary:

Kermit Bye, of North Dakota, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

Thomas L. Ambro, of Delaware, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

George B. Daniels, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Joel A. Pisano, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)