

EC-11774. A communication from the Director of the 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: Paper and Paperboard Component" (Docket No. 99F-1719) received on December 5, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-11775. A communication from the Director of the 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 "Secondary Direct Food Additives Permitted in Food for Human Consumption" (Docket No. 00F-1332) received on December 5, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-11776. A communication from the Director of the 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 "Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and Handling of Food" (Docket No. 99F-1912) received on December 5, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-11777. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the national advisory committee on institutional quality and integrity for fiscal year 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-11778. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to the Inspector General Act, the semiannual report; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-11779. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-11780. A communication from the Assistant Secretary (Legal Affairs), Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Visas: Immigrant Religious Workers" (RIN4710-06) received on December 7, 2000; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-11781. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards; Health Care" (RIN3245-AE06) received on December 5, 2000; to the Committee on Small Business.

EC-11782. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Small Business Investment Companies, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Investment Companies; 'Cost of Money' Limitations" (RIN3245-AE49) received on December 5, 2000; to the Committee on Small Business.

EC-11783. A communication from the Chairman, Centennial of Flight Commission, in concurrence with the National Aeronautics Space Administration Administrator, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11784. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the alternative plan for federal employee locality-based comparability payments; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11785. A communication from the Chairman and the General Counsel of the Na-

tional Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to the Inspector General Act, the semiannual report for the period April 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11786. A communication from the Chair of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to the Inspector General Act, the semiannual report for the period April 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11787. A communication from the Corporation for National Service, transmitting, pursuant to the Inspector General Act, the semiannual report for the period April 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000 as well as a report on final action; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11788. A communication from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to the Inspector General Act, the semiannual report; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11789. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to the Inspector General Act, the semiannual report for the period April 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11790. A communication from the Chairman of the National Science Board, transmitting, pursuant to the Inspector General Act, the semiannual report for the period April 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11791. A communication from the Director of the Peace Corps, transmitting, pursuant to the Inspector General Act, the semiannual report for the period April 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11792. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to the Inspector General Act, the semiannual report for the period April 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11793. A communication from the Director of the Workforce Compensation and Performance Service, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pay Under the General Schedule; Locality-Based Comparability Payments" (RIN3206-AJ07) received on December 5, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11794. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor Federal Register Certifying Officer, Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Claims Collection Standards" (RIN1510-AA57 and 1105-AA31) received on November 9, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

NOMINATION DISCHARGED

Pursuant to a unanimous consent agreement of December 7, 2000, the Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged of the following nomination:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Richard N. Gardner, of New York, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-fifth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

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. DOMENICI (for himself and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 3275. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Energy to guarantee loans to facilitate nuclear nonproliferation programs and activities of the Government of the Russian Federation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. FITZGERALD):

S. Res. 385. A resolution congratulating the Reverend Clay Evans of Chicago, Illinois, on the occasion of his retirement; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. HELMS, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. Res. 386. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Mr. DOMENICI (for himself and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 3275. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Energy to guarantee loans to facilitate nuclear nonproliferation programs and activities of the Government of the Russian Federation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

FISSILE MATERIAL LOAN GUARANTEE ACT

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I rise to introduce the Fissile Material Loan Guarantee Act. This Act is intended to increase the arsenal of programs that reduce proliferation threats from the Russian nuclear weapons complex.

This Act presents an unusual option, which I've been discussing with the leadership of some of the world's largest private banks and lending institutions and with senior officials of the Russian Federation's Ministry for Atomic Energy. I also am aware that discussions between Western lending institutions and the Russian Federation are progressing well and that discussions with the International Atomic Energy Authority or IAEA have helped to clarify their responsibilities.

This Act would enable the imposition of international protective safeguards on new, large stocks of Russian weapons-ready materials in a way that enables the Russian Federation to gain near-term financial resources from the same materials. The Act requires that these resources be used in support of non-proliferation or energy programs within Russia. It also requires that the materials used to collateralize these loans must remain under international IAEA safeguards forevermore.

This Act does not replace programs that currently are in place to ensure that weapons-grade materials can

never be used in weapons in the future. The Highly Enriched Uranium or HEU Agreement is moving toward elimination of 500 tons of Russian weapons-grade uranium. The Plutonium Disposition Agreement is similarly working on elimination of 34 tons of Russian weapons-grade plutonium.

The HEU agreement removes material usable in 20,000 nuclear weapons, while the plutonium disposition agreement similarly removes material for more than 4,000 nuclear weapons. Both of these agreements enable the transition of Russian materials into commercial reactor fuel, which, after use in a reactor, destroys its "weapons-grade" attributes. There should be no question that both these agreements remain of vital importance to both nations.

But estimates are that the Russian Federation has vast stocks of weapons-grade materials in addition to the amounts they've already declared as surplus to their weapons needs in these earlier agreements. If we can provide additional incentives to Russia to encourage transition of more of these materials into configurations where it is not available for diversion or re-use in weapons, we've made another significant step toward global stability.

By introducing this Act now, Mr. President, I'm hoping that this concept will be carefully reviewed by all interested parties—by the new Administration, by lending institutions, and by the Russian Federation. My hope is that in the next Congress, these interests can come together to enable this new approach to still further reduce the proliferation threats from surplus weapons materials in the Russian nuclear weapons complex.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1915

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1915, a bill to enhance the services provided by the Environmental Protection Agency to small communities that are attempting to comply with national, State, and local environmental regulations.

S. 3175

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3175, a bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to authorize the National Rural Development Partnership, and for other purposes.

S. 3250

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3250, a bill to provide for a United States response in the event of a unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state.

S. CON. RES. 87

At the request of Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, the name of the Senator

from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 87, a concurrent resolution commending the Holy See for making significant contributions to international peace and human rights, and objecting to efforts to expel the Holy See from the United Nations by removing the Holy See's Permanent Observer status in the United Nations, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 385—CONGRATULATING THE REVEREND CLAY EVANS OF CHICAGO, IL, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. FITZGERALD) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 395

Whereas Reverend Clay Evans was ordained as a Baptist minister 50 years ago, in 1950, and founded and served as the Pastor of the Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church in Chicago, Illinois, for 49 years;

Whereas Reverend Evans has been happily married to Lutha Mae Hollinshed Evans for over 50 years, and with her is the proud parent of five children;

Whereas Reverend Evans has been responsible for helping launch the ministerial careers of 93 individuals, including 6 female ministers;

Whereas Reverend Evans received Honorary Doctorate of Divinity Degrees from Arkansas Baptist College and Brewster Theological Clinic and School of Religion;

Whereas Reverend Evans has been an active participant in the Civil Rights Movement since 1965;

Whereas Reverend Evans is the founding National Board Chairman of Operation P.U.S.H. and currently serves as its Chairman Emeritus;

Whereas Reverend Evans is Founding President of the Broadcast Ministers Alliance of Chicago, Founding President of the African American Religious Connection, Trustee Board Chairman of Chicago Baptist Institute, and Board member of the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc.;

Whereas Reverend Evans is a featured soloist on numerous albums of the 250 Voice Choir of Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church and 1996 Stellar Award winner of the #1 Gospel Album "I've Got a Testimony";

Whereas Reverend Evans authored a 1992 autobiographical book, "From Plough Handle to Pulpit," which sold thousands of copies and was rewritten in 1997; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Reverend Clay Evans on his retirement as Pastor of the Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church;

(2) acknowledges the affection that Reverend Evans' congregation shares for him; and

(3) extends its best wishes to Reverend Evans and his family on the occasion of his retirement.

SENATE RESOLUTION 386—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE REGARDING NATIONAL PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. HELMS, and Mr. INHOFE) submitted the following

resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 386

Whereas on December 7, 1941, the Imperial Japanese Navy and Air Force attacked units of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii;

Whereas 2,403 members of the Armed Forces of the United States were killed in the attack on Pearl Harbor;

Whereas there are currently more than 12,000 members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association;

Whereas the 60th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor will be on December 7, 2001;

Whereas on August 23, 1994, Public Law 103-308 was enacted, designating December 7 of each year as National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day;

Whereas Public Law 103-308, reenacted as section 129 of title 36, United States Code, requests the President to issue a proclamation each year calling on the people of the United States to observe National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day with appropriate ceremonies and activities, and for all departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Federal Government, and interested organizations, groups, and individuals, to fly the flag of the United States at half-staff each December 7 in honor of the individuals who died as a result of their service at Pearl Harbor;

Whereas many citizens remain unaware of National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day; and

Whereas many Federal offices do not lower their flags to half-staff each December 7: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) pays tribute to the citizens of the United States who died in the attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, on December 7, 1941, and to the members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association; and

(2) urges the President to take more active steps—

(A) to inform the American public of the existence of National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day; and

(B) to ensure that the flag of the United States is flown at half-staff in accordance with section 129 of title 36, United States Code.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, December 12, 2000 at 9:30 a.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C.

The title of this hearing is "Natural Gas Markets: One Year After the National Petroleum Council's Gas Report."

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, 364 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-6150.

For further information, please call Trici Heninger or Bryan Hannegan at (202) 224-7932.

NATIONAL FOREST AND PUBLIC LANDS OF NEVADA ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 1988 AMENDMENTS AND BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT OF THE TOIYABE NATIONAL FOREST

Mr. HAGEL. Mr. President, I ask that the Chair lay before the Senate a message from the House of Representatives on the bill (S. 439).

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the House of Representatives:

Resolved, That the bill from the Senate (S. 439) entitled "An Act to amend the National Forest and Public Lands of Nevada Enhancement Act of 1988 to adjust the boundary of the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada", do pass with the following amendments:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. ADJUSTMENT OF BOUNDARY OF THE TOIYABE NATIONAL FOREST, NEVADA.

Section 4(a) of the National Forest and Public Lands of Nevada Enhancement Act of 1988 (102 Stat. 2750) is amended—

(1) by striking "Effective" and inserting "(1) Effective"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(2) Effective on the date of enactment of this paragraph, the portion of the land transferred to the Secretary of Agriculture under paragraph (1) situated between the lines marked 'Old Forest Boundary' and 'Revised National Forest Boundary' on the map entitled 'Nevada Interchange "A", Change 1', and dated September 16, 1998, is transferred to the Secretary of the Interior."

SEC. 2. OVERTIME PAY FOR CERTAIN FIRE-FIGHTERS.

(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 5542(a) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(5) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), for an employee of the Department of the Interior or the United States Forest Service in the Department of Agriculture engaged in emergency wildland fire suppression activities, the overtime hourly rate of pay is an amount equal to one and one-half times the hourly rate of basic pay of the employee, and all that amount is premium pay."

(b) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendments made by this section shall take effect on the first day of the first applicable pay period beginning on or after the end of the 30-day period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, and shall apply only to funds appropriated after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Amend the title so as to read "An Act to amend the National Forest and Public Lands of Nevada Enhancement Act of 1988 to adjust the boundary of the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada, and to amend chapter 55 of title 5, United States Code, to authorize equal overtime pay provisions for all Federal employees engaged in wildland fire suppression operations."

HAWAII WATER RESOURCES ACT OF 2000

Mr. HAGEL. Mr. President, I ask that the Chair lay before the Senate a message from the House of Representatives on the bill (S. 1694).

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the House of Representatives:

Resolved, That the bill from the Senate (S. 1694) entitled "An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the reclamation and reuse of water and wastewater in the State of Hawaii", do pass with the following amendments:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

TITLE I—HAWAII WATER RESOURCES STUDY

SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "Hawaii Water Resources Act of 2000".

SEC. 102. DEFINITIONS.

In this title:

(1) *SECRETARY.*—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

(2) *STATE.*—The term "State" means the State of Hawaii.

SEC. 103. HAWAII WATER RESOURCES STUDY.

(a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation and in accordance with the provisions of this title and existing legislative authorities as may be pertinent to the provisions of this title, including: the Act of August 23, 1954 (68 Stat. 773, chapter 838), authorizing the Secretary to investigate the use of irrigation and reclamation resource needs for areas of the islands of Oahu, Hawaii, and Molokai in the State of Hawaii; section 31 of the Hawaii Omnibus Act (43 U.S.C. 4221) authorizing the Secretary to develop reclamation projects in the State under the Act of August 6, 1956 (70 Stat. 1044, chapter 972; 42 U.S.C. 422a et seq.) (commonly known as the "Small Reclamation Projects Act"); and the amendment made by section 207 of the Hawaiian Home Lands Recovery Act (109 Stat. 364; 25 U.S.C. 386a) authorizing the Secretary to assess charges against Native Hawaiians for reclamation cost recovery in the same manner as charges are assessed against Indians or Indian tribes; is authorized and directed to conduct a study that includes—

(1) a survey of the irrigation and other agricultural water delivery systems in the State;

(2) an estimation of the cost of repair and rehabilitation of the irrigation and other agricultural water delivery systems;

(3) an evaluation of options and alternatives for future use of the irrigation and other agricultural water delivery systems (including alternatives that would improve the use and conservation of water resources and would contribute to agricultural diversification, economic development, and improvements to environmental quality); and

(4) the identification and investigation of opportunities for recycling, reclamation, and reuse of water and wastewater for agricultural and nonagricultural purposes.

(b) *REPORTS.*—

(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 2 years after appropriation of funds authorized by this title, the Secretary shall submit a report that describes the findings and recommendations of the study described in subsection (a) to—

(A) the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives.

(2) *ADDITIONAL REPORTS.*—The Secretary shall submit to the committees described in paragraph (1) any additional reports concerning the study described in subsection (a) that the Secretary considers to be necessary.

(c) *COST SHARING.*—Costs of conducting the study and preparing the reports described in subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall be shared between the Secretary and the State. The Federal share of the costs of the study and reports shall not exceed 50 percent of the total cost, and shall be nonreimbursable. The Secretary shall enter into a written agreement with the State, describing the arrangements for payment of the non-Federal share.

(d) *USE OF OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS.*—The Secretary is authorized to employ the services and

expertise of the State and/or the services and expertise of a private consultant employed under contract with the State to conduct the study and prepare the reports described in this section if the State requests such an arrangement and if it can be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Secretary that such an arrangement will result in the satisfactory completion of the work authorized by this section in a timely manner and at a reduced cost.

(e) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—There are authorized to be appropriated \$300,000 for the Federal share of the activities authorized under this title.

SEC. 104. WATER RECLAMATION AND REUSE.

(a) Section 1602(b) of the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (43 U.S.C. 390h(b)) is amended by inserting before the period at the end the following: "; and the State of Hawaii".

(b) The Secretary is authorized to use the authorities available pursuant to section 1602(b) of the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (43 U.S.C. 390h(b)) to conduct the relevant portion of the study and preparation of the reports authorized by this title if the use of such authorities is found by the Secretary to be appropriate and cost-effective, and provided that the total Federal share of costs for the study and reports does not exceed the amount authorized in section 103.

TITLE II—DROUGHT RELIEF

SEC. 201. DROUGHT RELIEF.

(a) *RELIEF FOR HAWAII.*—Section 104 of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 (43 U.S.C. 2214) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by inserting after "Reclamation State" the following: "and in the State of Hawaii"; and

(2) in subsection (c), by striking "ten years after the date of enactment of this Act" and inserting "on September 30, 2005".

(b) *ASSISTANCE FOR DROUGHT-RELATED PLANNING IN RECLAMATION STATES.*—Such Act is further amended by adding at the end of title I the following:

"SEC. 105. ASSISTANCE FOR DROUGHT-RELATED PLANNING IN RECLAMATION STATES.

"(a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary may provide financial assistance in the form of cooperative agreements in States that are eligible to receive drought assistance under this title to promote the development of drought contingency plans under title II.

"(b) *REPORT.*—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of the Hawaii Water Resources Act of 2000, the Secretary shall submit to the Congress a report and recommendations on the advisability of providing financial assistance for the development of drought contingency plans in all entities that are eligible to receive assistance under title II."

TITLE III—CITY OF ROSEVILLE PUMPING PLANT FACILITIES

SEC. 301. CITY OF ROSEVILLE PUMPING PLANT FACILITIES: CREDIT FOR INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL PUMPING PLANT FACILITIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGREEMENT.

(a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary shall credit an amount up to \$1,164,600, the precise amount to be determined by the Secretary through a cost allocation, to the unpaid capital obligation of the City of Roseville, California (in this section referred to as the "City"), as such obligation is calculated in accordance with applicable Federal reclamation law and Central Valley Project rate setting policy, in recognition of future benefits to be accrued by the United States as a result of the City's purchase and funding of the installation of additional pumping plant facilities in accordance with a letter of agreement with the United States numbered 5-07-20-X0331 and dated January 26, 1995. The Secretary shall simultaneously add an equivalent amount of costs to the capital costs of the Central Valley