

H.R. 946. An act to restore Federal recognition to the Indians of the Graton Rancheria of California; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 2778. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3292. An act to provide for the establishment of the Cat Island National Wildlife Refuge in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

The following concurrent resolution was read and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 352. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding manipulation of the mass media and intimidation of the independent press in the Russian Federation, expressing support for freedom of speech and the independent media in the Russian Federation, and calling on the President of the United States to express his strong concern for freedom of speech and the independent media in the Russian Federation; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, June 20, 2000, he had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 761. An act to facilitate the use of electronic records and signatures in interstate or foreign commerce.

S. 2722. An act to authorize the award of the Medal of Honor to Ed W. Freeman, James K. Okubo, and Andrew J. Smith.

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-9263. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report involving exports to Chad and Cameroon; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9264. A communication from the Board of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund, transmitting, pursuant to law, the corrected 2000 annual report of the Board; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9265. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Refugee Resettlement Program for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-9266. A communication from the Director of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (Administration and Management), transmitting, a notice relative to an A-76 study of the Pentagon Heating and Refrigeration Plant; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9267. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice relative to a pilot program for revitalization of DOD laboratories; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9268. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the notice of

the proposed issuance of an export license to Australia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-9269. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the notice of the proposed issuance of an export license to Russia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-9270. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the notice of the proposed issuance of export licenses to Germany, Italy, Russia, and Kazakhstan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-9271. A communication from the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9272. A communication from the Inspector General of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the IG for the period October 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9273. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Review of Quantum Meruit Payments Made By District of Columbia Government Agencies"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9274. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 13-345 entitled "Approval of the Extension of the Term of District Cablevision Limited Partnership's Franchise Act of 2000" adopted on May 3, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9275. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 13-352 entitled "Emergency and Non-Emergency Number Telephone Calling Systems Fund Act of 2000" approved on May 3, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9276. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 13-353 entitled "Procurement Practices Human Care Agreement Amendment Act of 2000" approved on May 3, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9277. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 13-354 entitled "Closing of Public Alleys in Square 4335, S.O. 98-234, Act of 2000" approved on May 3, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9278. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 13-355 entitled "Solid Waste Transfer Facility Site Selection Advisory Panel Report Deadline Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2000" approved on May 3, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9279. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 13-356 entitled "Tenant Protection Temporary Amendment Act of 2000" approved on May 3, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9280. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Addition of Gamma-Hydroxybutyric Acid to Schedule I; Extension of Application of Order Form Requirement for Certain Persons" received on June 16, 2000; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-9281. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mandatory Electronic Filing" received on June 16, 2000; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-9282. A communication from the Acting Chief Counsel (Foreign Assets Control), Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Blocked Persons, Specially Designated Nationals, Specially Designated Terrorists, Foreign Terrorist Organizations, and Specially Designated Narcotics Traffickers; Addition of Persons Blocked Pursuant to 31 CFR Part 538, 31 CFR Part 597" (RIN:31 CFR chapter V, Appendix) received on June 19, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9283. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Market Regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rule 17Ac2-2 and Form TA-2" (RIN:3235-AH44) received on June 5, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9284. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Market Regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Offer and Sale of Securities to Canadian Tax-Deferred Retirement Savings Accounts" (RIN:3235-AH32) received on June 9, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9285. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing and Urban Development (Federal Housing Commissioner), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tenant Participation in Multifamily Housing Projects" (RIN:2502-AH32(FR-4403-F-02)) received on June 6, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9286. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing and Urban Development (Federal Housing Commissioner), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS); Technical Correction" (RIN:2577-AC08(FR-4497-C-06)) received on June 6, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9287. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule "12 CFR Parts 716 and 741; Privacy of Consumer Financial Information; Requirements for Insurance" received on June 7, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9288. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule "12 CFR Part 714; Leasing" received on June 14, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9289. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule "12 CFR Part 707; Truth in Savings" received on June 14, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9290. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of procurement list additions received on June 1, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9291. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of procurement list additions received

on June 7, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9292. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of procurement list additions received on June 14, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9293. A communication from the Acting Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Circular 97-18" received on May 31, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9294. A communication from the Deputy Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the rule entitled "Public Use of NARA Facilities" (RIN:3095-AA06) received on June 2, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9295. A communication from the Deputy Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the rule entitled "Records Declassification" (RIN:3095-AA67) received on June 2, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9296. A communication from the Director of the Office of Executive Resources Management, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the rule entitled "Employment in the Senior Executive Service" (RIN:3206-AI58) received on May 24, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9297. A communication from the Director of the Office of Executive Resources Management, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the rule entitled "Federal Employees Health Benefits Program and Department of Defense Demonstration Project Amendment to 5 CFR Part 890" (RIN:3206-AI63) received on June 5, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 277: A resolution commemorating the 30th anniversary of the policy of Indian self-determination.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committee were submitted:

By Mr. LUGAR for the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Christopher A. McLean, of Nebraska, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture.

Michael V. Dunn, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration for the remainder of the term expiring October 13, 2000.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

Michael V. Dunn, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board,

Farm Credit Administration for a term expiring October 13, 2006. (Reappointment)

(The above nomination was reported without recommendation. The nominee has agreed to appear before any duly constituted committee of the United States 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. BENNETT (for himself, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 2754. A bill to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, and Mr. DOMENICI):

S. 2755. A bill to further continued economic viability in the communities on the southern High Plains by promoting sustainable groundwater management of the southern Ogallala Aquifer; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. ROBB:

S. 2756. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish a National Clean Water Trust Fund and to authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to use amounts in the Fund to carry out projects to promote the recovery of waters of the United States from damage resulting from violations of that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. DOMENICI:

S. 2757. A bill to provide for the transfer of other disposition of certain lands at Melrose Air Force Range, New Mexico, and Yakima Training Center, Washington, to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. ROBB, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ROCKFELLER, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 2758. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security act to provide coverage of outpatient prescription drugs under the medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. Res. 324. A resolution to commend and congratulate the Los Angeles Lakers for their outstanding drive, discipline, and mastery in winning the 2000 National Basketball Association Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ABRAHAM:

S. Res. 325. A resolution welcoming King Mohammed VI of Morocco upon his first official visit to the United States, and for other purposes; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. BENNETT (for himself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 2754. A bill to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of

Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

UTAH WEST DESERT LAND EXCHANGE ACT OF 2000

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, today I rise to introduce the Utah West Desert Land Exchange Act of 2000. I am pleased that my friend and colleague, Senator HATCH, joins me in introducing this important legislation.

The Utah Enabling Act of 1894 granted to the state four sections, each section approximately 640 acres in size, in each 36 square-mile township. These lands were granted for the support of the public schools, and accordingly are referred to as school trust lands. The location of these lands, as they are not contiguous to each other, has made management by the state difficult. In addition, as school trust lands are interspersed with Federal lands, Federal land designations, such as wilderness study area, have further complicated the state's ability to manage its lands.

The Utah West Desert Land Exchange Act of 2000 seeks to resolve these problems through an equal-value, equal-acreage land exchange between the state of Utah and the Federal Government. The lands that will be exchanged are located within the West Desert region of Utah. Each party will exchange approximately 106,000 acres. The Federal government will receive state lands located within wilderness study areas, lands identified as having wilderness characteristics in the Bureau of Land Management's Utah Wilderness Inventory, and lands identified for acquisition in the Washington County Habitat Conservation Plan. The state will receive federal lands that are more appropriate to carry out its mandate to generate revenue for Utah's public schools.

I would like to address two issues some have raised about this land exchange. The first issue is regarding land valuation. Both the state of Utah and the Department of the Interior firmly believe that this exchange is approximately equivalent in value. The parties have reached this conclusion after many months of thorough research and evaluation of the parcels to be exchanged. The process of research and evaluation included review of comparable sales, mineral potential, access, and topography. One may ask why each parcel of land was not appraised individually. The answer is that for many of the 175 state parcels it would have cost more to have appraised those lands than their agreed upon value. Please note that the average value of the school trust lands outside of Washington County is \$85 per-acre; if each individual parcel was required to be formally appraised the high appraisal costs would place this land exchange, and all of its benefits, in jeopardy. Nevertheless both the state of Utah and the Department of the Interior have maintained their fiduciary responsibility by putting together a package that is equal, in both value and acreage.