

Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Report of Building Project Survey for Colorado Springs, CO; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4548. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 14-155 "Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Annual Contribution Temporary Amendment Act of 2001"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4549. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 14-154 "Cooperative Purchasing Agreement Temporary Amendment Act of 2001"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4550. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 14-156 "Insurance Economic Development Temporary Amendment Act of 2001"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4551. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 14-152 "Closing of a Public Alley in Square 2140, S.O. 99-228, Act of 2001"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4552. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 14-153 "Closing of a Portion of a Public Alley in Square 209, S.O. 2000-48, Act of 2001"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4553. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System for Hospital Outpatient Services: Criteria for Establishing Additional Pass-Through Categories for Medical Devices" (RIN0938-AK59) received on November 6, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4554. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Announcement of the Calendar Year 2002 Conversion Factor for the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System and a Pro Rata Reduction on Transitional Pass-Through Payments" (RIN0938-AK54) received on November 6, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4555. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies and Five-Year Review of and Adjustments to the Relative Value Units Under the Physician Fee Schedule for Calendar Year 2002" (RIN0938-AK57) received on November 7, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BYRD, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2002" (Rept. No. 107-95).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany S. 1319, a bill to authorize appropriations for the Department of Justice for fiscal year 2002, and for other purposes. (Rept. No. 107-96).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 23: A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the President should award the Presidential Medal of Freedom posthumously to Dr. Benjamin Elijah Mays in honor of his distinguished career as an educator, civil and human rights leader, and public theologian.

By Mr. KENNEDY, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1094: A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for research, information, and education with respect to blood cancer.

By Mr. JEFFORDS, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1459: A bill to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 550 West Fort Street in Boise, Idaho, as the "James A. McClure Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 1630: A bill to extend for 6 additional months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11, United States Code, is reenacted.

By Mr. CONRAD, from the Committee on the Budget, unfavorably, without amendment:

S.J. Res. 28: A joint resolution suspending certain provisions of law pursuant to section 258(a)(2) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

\*Marvin R. Sambur, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

\*Mary L. Walker, of California, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.

\*Sandra L. Pack, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

\*Dale Klein, of Texas, to be Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs.

By Mr. WARNER for the Committee on Armed Services.

\*R.L. Brownlee, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Army.

By Mr. JEFFORDS for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

\*William Baxter, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the term expiring May 18, 2011.

\*William Baxter, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the remainder of the term expiring May 18, 2002.

\*Kimberly Terese Nelson, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

\*Steven A. Williams, of Kansas, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

By Mr. BIDEN for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

\*Eric M. Javits, of New York, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the Conference on Disarmament.

\*Sichan Siv, of Texas, to be Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

\*Sichan Siv, of Texas, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.

\*Richard S. Williamson, of Illinois, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations.

\*Richard S. Williamson, of Illinois, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Frederico Juarbe, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training.

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Terry L. Wooten, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

John P. Walters, of Michigan, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

#### 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. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 1653. A bill to provide loan forgiveness to the surviving spouses of the victims of the September 11, 2001, tragedies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. SHELBY, and Mr. ENZI):

S. 1654. A bill to amend the Education of the Deaf Act of 1986 to authorize the Secretary of Education to establish the National Junior College for Deaf and Blind at the Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. 1655. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain interstate conduct relating to exotic animals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 1656. A bill to provide for the improvement of the processing of claims for veterans compensation and pension, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 1657. A Bill to deauthorize the project for navigation, Tenants Harbor, Maine; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 1658. A bill to improve Federal criminal penalties on false information and terrorist hoaxes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HUTCHINSON (for himself and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. 1659. A bill to provide criminal penalties for communicating false information and hoaxes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JEFFORDS (for himself and Mr. BREAUX):

S. 1660. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to specify the update for payments under the medicare physician fee schedule for 2002 and to direct the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission to conduct a study on replacing the use of the sustainable growth rate as a factor in determining such update in subsequent years; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 1661. A bill to set up a certification system for research facilities that possess dangerous biological agents and toxins, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HUTCHINSON:

S. 1662. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Coverdell educational savings accounts to be used for homeschooling expenses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. 1663. A bill to amend title 4, United States Code, to add National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 1664. A bill to require country of origin labeling of raw agricultural forms of ginseng, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 1665. A bill amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to false information regarding certain criminal violations concerning hoax reports of biological, chemical, and nuclear weapons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEAHY:

S. 1666. A bill to prevent terrorist hoaxes and false reports; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DOMENICI:

S. 1667. A bill to ensure that nuclear energy continues to contribute to the supply of electricity in the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HOLLINGS:

S. 1668. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to strengthen the limitations on the holding of any license, permit, operating authority by a foreign government or any entity controlled by a foreign government; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) (by request):

S. 1669. A bill to authorize appropriations for hazardous material transportation safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. HELMS, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. DODD, and Mr. KERRY):

S. Con. Res. 81. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress to welcome the Prime Minister of India, Atal Bihari

Vajpayee, on the occasion of his visit to the United States, and to affirm that India is a valued friend and partner and an important ally in the campaign against international terrorism; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 455

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 455, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and modify the exclusion relating to qualified small business stock and for other purposes.

S. 986

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 986, a bill to allow media coverage of court proceedings.

S. 1214

At the request of Mr. HOLLINGS, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1214, a bill to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, to establish a program to ensure greater security for United States seaports, and for other purposes.

S. 1541

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1541, a bill to provide for a program of temporary enhanced unemployment benefits.

S. 1571

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1571, a bill to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2006.

S. 1615

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1615, a bill to provide for the sharing of certain foreign intelligence information with local law enforcement personnel, and for other purposes.

S. 1621

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1621, a bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize the President to carry out a program for the protection of the health and safety of community members, volunteers, and workers in a disaster area.

S. 1627

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1627, a bill to enhance the security of the international borders of the United States.

S. 1630

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1630, a bill to extend for 6

additional months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11, United States Code, is reenacted.

S. 1633

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1633, a bill to amend the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 to establish a program to provide assistance to States and nonprofit organizations to preserve suburban open space and contain suburban sprawl, and for other purposes.

S. 1643

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1643, a bill to provide Federal reimbursement to State and local governments for a limited sales, use and retailers' occupation tax holiday.

S.J. RES. 24

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 24, a joint resolution honoring Maureen Reagan on the occasion of her death and expressing condolences to her family, including her husband Dennis Revell and her daughter Rita Revell.

S. RES. 140

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 140, a resolution designating the week beginning September 15, 2002, as "National Civic Participation Week."

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. 1655. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain interstate conduct relating to exotic animals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BIDEN. Madam President, I rise today to introduce the Captive Exotic Animal Protection Act. This legislation was first introduced in the 104th Congress by former Senator Frank Lautenberg and I am pleased to be here today continuing his legacy.

The Captive Exotic Animal Protection Act would make it illegal to knowingly transfer, transport, or possess in interstate commerce of foreign commerce, a confined exotic mammal for the purposes of allowing the killing or injuring of that animal for entertainment or for the collection of a trophy. The bill protects exotic mammals that have been held in captivity for the shorter of a. the greater part of the animal's life, or b. a period of one year, whether or not the defendant knew the length of the captivity. This bill is intended to prevent the cruel and unsporting practice of what we have come to know as "canned hunts."

Words cannot describe a "canned" hunt. The images that I have seen,