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MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1230. An act to provide for the establishment of the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge in the State of Michigan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1259. An act to amend the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to enhance the ability of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to improve computer security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 1913. An act to require the valuation of nontribal interest ownership of subsurface rights within the boundaries of the Acoma Indian Reservation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 3093. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 501 Bell Street in Alton, Illinois, as the "William L. Beatty Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on environment and Public Works.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 157. Concurrent resolution recognizing and honoring Joseph Henry for his significant and distinguished role in the development and advancement of science and electricity; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 270. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Americans should take time during Native American Heritage Month to recognize the many accomplishments and contributions made by native peoples; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

S. 1732. A bill to provide incentives for an economic recovery and relief for victims of terrorism, and for other purposes.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 2983. An act to extend indemnification authority under section 170 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DODD, from the Committee on Rules and Administration, without amendment:

S. 565: A bill to establish the Commission on Voting Rights and Procedures to study

and make recommendations regarding election technology, voting, and election administration, to establish a grant program under which the Office of Justice Programs and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice shall provide assistance to States and localities in improving election technology and the administration of Federal elections, to require States to meet uniform and nondiscriminatory election technology and administration requirements for the 2004 Federal elections, and for other purposes.

NOMINATIONS DISCHARGED

The following nominations were discharged from the Committee on Foreign Relations pursuant to the order of November 28, 2001:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Eni F.H. Faleomavaega, of American Samoa, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-sixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Steven Joseph Chabot, of Ohio, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-sixth 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. THOMPSON (for himself and Mr. FRIST):

S. 1736. A bill to provide for the reclassification of certain counties for purposes of reimbursement under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 1737. A bill to provide for homeland security block grants; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CARPER, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 1738. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide regulatory relief, appeals process reforms, contracting flexibility, and education improvements under the medicare program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CLELAND:

S. 1739. A bill to authorize grants to improve security on over-the-road buses; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 1740. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow for the expansion of areas designated as renewal communities based on 2000 census data; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. BAUCUS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. JOHNSON, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. MILLER, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 1741. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to clarify that Indian women with breast or cervical cancer who are eligible for health services provided under a medical care program of the Indian Health Service or of a tribal organization are included in the optional medicaid eligibility category of breast or cervical cancer patients added by the Breast and Cervical Prevention and Treatment Act of 2000; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BROWNBACK, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. Res. 184. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the use of content labeling for Internet web sites of Senators; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. Con. Res. 86. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that women from all ethnic groups in Afghanistan should participate in the economic and political reconstruction of Afghanistan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 201

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 201, a bill to require that Federal agencies be accountable for violations of antidiscrimination and whistleblower protection laws, and for other purposes.

S. 677

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 677, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the required use of certain principal repayments on mortgage subsidy bond financing to redeem bonds, to modify the purchase price limitation under mortgage subsidy bond rules based on median family income, and for other purposes.

S. 682

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 682, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to restore the link between the maximum amount of earnings by blind individuals permitted without demonstrating ability to engage in substantial gainful activity and the exempt amount permitted in determining excess earnings under the earnings test.

S. 911

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 911, a bill to reauthorize the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

S. 986

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Washington

(Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 986, a bill to allow media coverage of court proceedings.

S. 1006

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. CARNAHAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1006, a bill to provide for the energy security of the United States and promote environmental quality by enhancing the use of motor vehicle fuels from renewable sources, and for other purposes.

S. 1104

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1104, a bill to establish objectives for negotiating, and procedures for, implementing certain trade agreements.

S. 1275

At the request of Mr. FRIST, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1275, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants for public access defibrillation programs and public access defibrillation demonstration projects, and for other purposes.

S. 1409

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1409, a bill to impose sanctions against the PLO or the Palestinian Authority if the President determines that those entities have failed to substantially comply with commitments made to the State of Israel.

S. 1482

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1482, a bill to consolidate and revise the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to protection of animal health.

S. 1499

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE), and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1499, a bill to provide assistance to small business concerns adversely impacted by the terrorist attacks perpetrated against the United States on September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

S. 1646

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1646, a bill to identify certain routes in the States of Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, and New Mexico as part of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor, a high priority corridor on the National Highway System.

S. 1707

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1707, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to specify the update for payments under the medi-

care 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.

S. 1722

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1722, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify the application of the excise tax imposed on bows and arrows.

S. RES. 109

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 109, a resolution designating the second Sunday in the month of December as "National Children's Memorial Day" and the last Friday in the month of April as "Children's Memorial Flag Day."

S. RES. 140

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

AMENDMENT NO. 2136

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), and the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2136 intended to be proposed to H.R. 3090, a bill to provide tax incentives for economic recovery.

AMENDMENT NO. 2152

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the names of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), and the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2152 intended to be proposed to H.R. 3090, a bill to provide tax incentives for economic recovery.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 1737. A bill to provide for homeland security block grants; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mrs. CLINTON. Madam President, I rise today to offer a helping hand to communities in New York and around the country experiencing fiscal distress as they struggle to respond to the heightened security needs of our country.

Although the terrorists responsible for the September 11 attacks targeted two of our cities, communities thousands of miles away from Ground Zero now find themselves on the front lines in the war against terrorism. Since the attacks, towns and cities, both large and small, all across America have

been overwhelmed by calls about potential biological or chemical attacks or threats to infrastructure. Along with this new responsibility comes a heavy burden that these communities should not be forced to shoulder alone.

That is why today I am introducing legislation to provide relief to State and local governments in their efforts to improve emergency response and public safety locally. This Federal aid will ensure that local communities will not have to bear the burden of a strong homeland defense alone. Tomorrow, mayors from all around New York State will meet in New York City to address these very concerns. The legislation I'm introducing today, along with my colleagues Senators FEINSTEIN, MIKULSKI, DURBIN, and SCHUMER, will go a long way in helping them and communities across the country meet these needs.

Since the unimaginable acts of terrorism against American civilians on U.S. soil that took place a few months ago, we have been forced to reevaluate virtually every aspect of our homeland security. One immediate change to emerge in post-September 11 America has been that local communities are now charged with an enormous responsibility: plugging in the gaps in our public safety system and securing our homeland defense.

Our entire country witnessed it on September 11 when hundreds of brave men and women in uniform went rushing towards burning buildings to save peoples' lives. These courageous individuals were public safety officers and emergency response personnel, and, on that day, America and its towns and cities were forever changed.

Mayor Joseph Griffo of Rome, New York described this new phenomenon, saying,

The mayors have become the leaders, the first responders in this new war on terrorism. The police, the firefighters and the emergency personnel are the first responders. We have a role and a responsibility in being more keenly aware of what potentially could happen to our communities.

Already, towns and cities in New York, and municipalities across the country, have seen a glimpse of what homeland security's price tag looks like and they are deeply concerned about how they will pay for it. Rome Mayor Griffo has said,

The finances, of providing security, are going to be very difficult. I think it may be tough to recoup all the costs that we've incurred to date. . . . Beyond that, we have to see where we can work in partnership with the feds and the state.

Bills from skyrocketing police and fire fighter overtime costs are saddling many local governments with unanticipated costs. Local law enforcement agencies are struggling with expenses from a wide range of security needs, including: properly securing major transportation infrastructure, like tunnels and bridges; stepping up security at facilities that store hazardous materials or drinking water; and providing local health personnel with the resources