

strong commitment to public service within the Merrimack community.

For several years, under the guidance of Chief Executive Officer, Patricia Gallop, PC Connection has selflessly and steadfastly served the citizens of Merrimack. PC Connection provided volunteer leadership to generate civic awareness among area students. Contributions from the company enabled 2,000 young people to have a voice at the polls which ensured the success of the Kids Vote program.

The accomplishments of PC Connection are too numerous to list. They recently brought over 1,000 of their employees and visitors together for a family day of innovative computer activities and collected 2,500 computer components. The components will be refurbished and offered to non-profit agencies throughout New Hampshire.

PC Connection is a true community leader and a friend to the people of New Hampshire. The management and employees of the company are a great asset to the citizens of Merrimack. It is both an honor and a pleasure to represent them in the U.S. Senate.●

TRIBUTE TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF MALMSTROM AIR FORCE BASE

● Mr. BAUCUS. Mr. President, I rise today to compliment and honor the men and women of Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls, MT. I recently visited the base to congratulate the personnel at Malmstrom for receiving an "excellent" rating during their Combat Capability Assessment.

After two weeks of evaluations for technical proficiency and mission effectiveness, the 341st Space Wing's operations, security, maintenance, communications personnel and equipment were given an "excellent" overall rating. A very high mark for this type of test.

Col. Thomas Deppe is the leader of Team Malmstrom. He was absolutely correct when he said, "It takes a championship team to accomplish our mission across 23,500 square miles of flight line on a daily basis, and we do it well." Indeed, they do it well. And they make Montanans and Americans extremely proud.

In addition, Col. James Robinson, who is the Combat Capability Assessment team Chief, said that the CCA is one of the "toughest tests a wing will ever experience." He also said that in the three years he has been administering the test, he has "never seen results this good."

The 20th Air Force Combat Capability Assessment Team discovered what we have known in Montana for years—that Malmstrom is "excellent." Mr. President, I can tell you from my recent visit to Malmstrom that those folks are very proud of this accomplishment, as they should be. I'm proud of them, too.

That is why today I want to recognize them in this great Senate Cham-

ber. And so I say congratulations to Col. Thomas Deppe and the 341st Space Wing, and to all the men and women who work so hard to make Malmstrom Air Force Base what it is—"excellent."●

RECOGNITION OF MATTHEW HUENERFAUTH

● Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize an exemplary young man from the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Matthew Huenerfauth of Springfield, has been selected from among 200 applicants as a George J. Mitchell Scholar for 2001, and will have the opportunity to study in either Ireland or Northern Ireland in the fall. The recipients are those who have demonstrated intellectual distinction, leadership potential, and commitment to community service.

Matthew will graduate from the University of Delaware in May, 2001 with an Honors B.S. and an M.S. degree in Computer Science. During his tenure at Delaware, he has proven to be a tremendous asset to the college community outside the classroom as well. Using his computer knowledge to help others, Matthew developed a tutoring system for deaf students learning English. He spent the summer of 2000 as a Program Manager Intern at Microsoft in Redmond, Washington, and has completed extensive research in the field of artificial intelligence. Matthew was also president of a virtual literary magazine at Delaware, was a founding member of an a capella ensemble, and participated in the school's competitive computer programming team. While in Ireland, Matthew will study for an MSci degree in Computer Science at University College Dublin.

I ask my colleagues to join with me in recognizing Matthew Huenerfauth as he heads across the globe to represent the United States in Ireland. I am confident that he will make us proud.●

TRIBUTE TO TIM BOUCHER

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Tim Boucher of Deerfield, New Hampshire, for being honored as "Business Person of the Year" by the Merrimack Chamber of Commerce.

A hard working and dedicated member of the Merrimack Chamber Board of Directors, Tim has been an enthusiastic volunteer and committee chairman. He has worked diligently for the Chamber Golf Tournament and other fund raising events, selflessly serving the citizens of Merrimack.

Tim is a New Hampshire College and New England Law School graduate who was admitted to the Bar in 1991 and specializes in real estate and probate law. He is an active outdoors man who enjoys skiing and camping. He resides in Deerfield, New Hampshire, with his wife, Wendy.

Tim Boucher has proven himself to be an outstanding citizen and volun-

teer in his community and is a role model to us all. It is an honor and a pleasure to represent him in the U.S. Senate.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, 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.)

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-553. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VISAS: Reissuance of O and P Nonimmigrant Visas" (RIN1400-AA96) received on January 30, 2001; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-554. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report concerning pesticide registration Notice 2001-1; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-555. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report concerning pesticide registration Notice 2001-2; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-556. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report concerning pesticide registration Notice 2001-3; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-557. A communication from the Board of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Consumer Price Index computation error for the year 1999; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-558. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-521, "Noise Control Temporary Amendment"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-559. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-531, "Closing of O Street, N.E., S.O. 98-124, and Closing of Public Alleys in Square 670, S.O. 90-235, Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-560. A communication from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interagency Guidelines Establishing Standards for Safeguarding Customer Information

and Rescission of Year 2000 Standards for Safety and Soundness" (RIN1557-AB84) received on February 1, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-561. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the Export Administration Act of 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-562. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transfer and Cross-Collateralization of Clean Water State Revolving Funds and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds" received on February 1, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-563. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report relating to the Provisions of TSCA in the Foreign Trade Zones; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-564. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report concerning pollution prevention grants; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-565. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Environmental Program Grants-State, Interstate, and Local Government Agencies; Delay of Effective Date" (FRL6942-7) received on February 2, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-566. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New York 15 and 9 Percent of Progress Plans, Phase I Ozone Implementation Plan" (FRL6940-1) received on February 2, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-567. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Revisions to New Source Review" (FRL6941-3) received on February 2, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-568. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources; Monitoring Requirements; Delay of Effective Date" (FRL6942-8) received on February 2, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-569. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the Air Force operations near Groom Lake, Nevada; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-570. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the Application Process for Community Development Block Grants for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages; Delay of Effective Date" (RIN2577-AC22) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-571. A communication from the Director of the Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization

Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Additional Authorization to Issue Certificates for Foreign Health Care Workers; Speech Language Pathologist and Audiologists; Medical Technologists and Technicians and Physician Assistants" ((RIN1115-AE73)(INS2089-00)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-572. A communication from the Director of the Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Protected Status; Amendments to the Requirements for Employment Authorization Fees, and Other Technical Amendments" ((RIN115-AF01)(INS1972-99)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-573. A communication from the Director of the Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarification of Parole Authority" ((RIN1115-AF53)(INS2001-99)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-574. A communication from the Director of the Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarification of Parole Authority; Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN1115-AF53)(INS2004-99)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-575. A communication from the Director of the Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Protected Status; Amendments to the Requirements for Employment Authorization Fee, and Other Technical Amendments; Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN1115-AF01)(INS1972-99)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-576. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flutolanil, N-(3-(1-Methylethoxy)Phenyl)-2-(Trifluoromethyl) Benzamide; Pesticide Tolerance" ((RIN2070-AB78) (FRL6761-1)) received on February 8, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-577. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dilmethylpolysiloxane; Tolerance Exemption" ((RIN2070-AB78)(FRL6762-1)) received on February 8, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-578. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clomazone; Pesticide Tolerance" ((RIN2070-AB78)(FRL6764-2)) received on February 8, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-579. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Carboxin; Extension of Tolerance for Emergency Exemptions" ((RIN2070-AB78)(FRL6762-9)) received on February 8, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-580. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Office of the General Counsel, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule

entitled "Adjustments to Civil Monetary Penalties—2001" (RIN3235-AI07) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-581. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Integration of Abandoned Offerings" (RIN3235-AG83) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-582. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Financial Subsidiaries" (Docket No. R-1066) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-583. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rule to Deconcentrate Poverty and Promote Integration in Public Housing; Change in Applicability Date of Deconcentration Component of PHA Plan" (RIN2577-AB89) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-584. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determining Adjusted Income in HUD Programs Serving Persons With Disabilities; Requiring Mandatory Deductions for Certain Expenses; and Disallowance for Earned Income; Delay of Effective Date" (RIN2501-AC72) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-585. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Discontinuance of the Section 221(d)(2) Mortgage Insurance Program; Delay of Effective Date" (RIN2502-AH50) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-586. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Freedom of Information Act Regulations; Delay of Effective Date" (RIN2501-AC51) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-587. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Delay of Effective Date; State Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program" received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-588. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Delay of Effective Date; Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program" received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-589. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Delay of Effective Date; Assistance to States for the Education of Children with Disabilities" received on February

12, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-590. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Delay of Effective Date; State Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program" received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-591. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Program Operations, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Medical Support Notice: Delay of Effective Date" (RIN1210-AA72) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-592. A communication from the Acting Director, Directorate of Health Standards Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens; Needlestick and Other Sharps Injuries" (RIN1218-AB85) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-593. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Construction, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Standards for Steel Erection" (RIN1218-AA65) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-594. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Safety Standards, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Occupational Injury and Illness Recording and Recording Requirements" (RIN1218-AB24) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-595. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-463, "Approval of the Application for Transfer of Control of District Cablevision, Inc., to AT&T Corporation Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-596. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-464, "College Savings Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-597. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-460, "Safe Teenage Driving and Merit Personnel Technical Amendment Temporary Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-598. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-459, "Motor Vehicle Residential Parking Regulation Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-599. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-457, "Foster Children's Guardianship Temporary Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-600. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-449, "Child Support and Welfare Reform Compliance Temporary Amend-

ment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-601. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-448, "Residential Permit Parking Area Temporary Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-602. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-447, "Retirement Reform Temporary Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-603. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-406, "Sentencing Reform Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-604. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-418, "Freedom From Cruelty to Animals Protection Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-605. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-465, "Capitol Hill Business Improvement District Procedure Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-606. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-395, "Distribution of Marijuana Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-607. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Large and Midsize Business Division Prefiling Agreement Program" (Rev. Proc. 2001-22) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-608. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Rev. Proc. 83-87, 1983-2 C.B. 606, List of Tribal Governments" (Rev. Proc. 2001-15) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-609. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Advanced Insurance Commissions" (Rev. Proc. 2001-24) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-610. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Rev. Proc. 99-18 (Debt Substitutions)" (Rev. Proc. 2001-21) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-611. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Under Section 472 Regarding the Dollar-Value LIFO Inventory Method—Used Cars" (Rev. Proc. 2001-23) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-612. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines: Claim Revenue Under a Long-Term Contract" (UIL0460.02-04) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-613. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines: Construction Management Contracts" (UIL0460.07-01) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-614. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines: Advance Payments form Construction Service Contracts" (UIL0451.13-08) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-615. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deductibility of ESOP Redemption Proceeds" (Rev. Rul. 2001-6) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-616. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "BLS-LIFO Department Stores Indexes—December 2000" (Rev. Rul. 2001-9) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-617. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines: Retroactive Adoption of and Accident and Health Plan" (UIL105.06-05) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-618. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines: Health Insurance Deductibility for Self-Employed Individuals" (UIL162.35-02) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-619. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Treatment of Indian Tribal Governments Under Federal Unemployment Tax Act" (Ann. 2001-16) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-620. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice 2001-19, Comments on Research Credit Regulations" (OGI104925-01) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-621. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Contingent Liability Tax Shelter" (Not. 2001-17) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-622. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines: Health Insurance Deductibility for Self-Employed Individuals" (UIL162.35-02) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-623. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "The Voluntary Compliance on Alien Withholding Program (VCAP)" (Rev. Proc. 2001-20) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-624. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security State Bank v. Commissioner" received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-625. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Employee Plans Correction Procedures in Rev. Proc. 2000-16" (Rev. Proc. 2001-17) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-626. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Merchandise Processing Fee Eligible to be Claimed as Unused Merchandise Drawback" (RIN1515-AC67) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-627. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendments to the Customs Regulations" (T.D. 01-14) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-628. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Import Restrictions Imposed on Certain Archaeological Material in Italy and Representing the Pre-Classical, Classical, and Imperial Roman Periods" (RIN1515-AC66) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-629. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules of Practice and Procedure for Adjudicatory Proceedings; Civil Money Penalty Inflation Adjustment" (RIN1550-AB41) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-630. A communication from the Acting Commissioner of Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the effects of the consumer price index on benefits, and a proposal for compensation; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-631. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor of the Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Government Participation in the Automated Clearing House" (RIN1510-AA81) received on February 8, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

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. SHELBY:

S. 302. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the maximum capital gain tax rate for gains from property held for more than 5 or 10 years; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. BAYH, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. KOHL, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CARPER, and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 303. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, to reauthorize and make improvements to that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. THURMOND):

S. 304. A bill to reduce illegal drug use and trafficking and to help provide appropriate drug education, prevention, and treatment programs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire:

S. 305. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to remove the reduction in the amount of Survivor Benefit Plan annuities at age 62; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. TORRICELLI (for himself, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. FRIST, Mr. MILLER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GREGG, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. KYL, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. CLELAND):

S. 306. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the use of education individual retirement accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 307. A bill to provide grants to State educational agencies and local educational agencies for the provision of classroom-related technology training for elementary and secondary school teachers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 308. A bill to award grants for school construction; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 309. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to specify the purposes for which funds provided under subpart 1 of part A of title I may be used; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. KERRY):

S. 310. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 1 Courthouse Way in Boston, Massachusetts, as the "John Joseph Moakley United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. DODD, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. FRIST, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 311. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide for partnerships in character education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. ENZI, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 312. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for farmers and fishermen, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mrs. HUTCHINSON, Mr. BURNS, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. HATCH, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. BOND, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. KYL, Mr. BROWNBACK, and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. 313. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for Farm, Fishing, and Ranch Risk Management Accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 314. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide declaratory

judgment relief for section 521 cooperatives; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BURNS, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. BOND):

S. 315. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat payments under the Conservation Reserve Program as rentals from real estate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Mr. GREGG, Mr. FRIST, Mr. MILLER, Mr. LOTT, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. ENZI, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 316. A bill to provide for teacher liability protection; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. THURMOND):

S. 317. A bill to establish grants for drug treatment alternative to prison programs administered by State or local prosecutors; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DODD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. INOUE, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. CORZINE):

S. 318. A bill to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGS, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 319. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to ensure that air carriers meet their obligations under the Airline Customer Service Agreement, and provide improved passenger service in order to meet public convenience and necessity; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 320. A bill to make technical corrections in patent, copyright, and trademark laws; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. BAUCUS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BIDEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BYRD, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. CLELAND, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DODD, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. EDWARDS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRIST, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HELMS, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KOHL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. WELLSTONE):

S. 321. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide families of disabled children with the opportunity to purchase coverage under the medicaid program for such children, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COCHRAN (for himself, Mr. FRIST, and Mr. LEAHY):

S.J. Res. 5. A joint resolution providing for the appointment of Walter E. Massey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the