

march as an expression of reverence for those who fought along side them in Vietnam, but did not return. And the Kerr brothers have called our attention to the importance of cherishing our great freedom that has come through the "blood of heroes."

The Kerr brothers can be proud of their dedication to their country, and their great commitment to honor the values of their family and the principles of democracy and freedom. We as a nation have benefitted from the sacrifices, extraordinary contributions and example of these four brothers who bravely went off to war after having lost their father. I know that my Senate colleagues join me and the Royal Oak Parade Council in paying tribute to the Kerr brothers for their service in our nation's armed forces and their great bravery and valor as Vietnam veterans.●

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 Committee on the Judiciary.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:01 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that it has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3253. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the establishment within the Department of Veterans Affairs of improved emergency medical preparedness, research, and education programs to combat terrorism, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4608. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Regional Office Center in Wichita, Kansas, as the "Robert J. Dole Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Regional Center."

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 165. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that continual research and education into the cause and cure of fibroid tumors be addressed.

H. Con. Res. 309. Concurrent resolution recognizing the importance of good cervical health and of detecting cervical cancer during its earliest stages.

H. Con. Res. 314. Concurrent resolution recognizing the members of AMVETS for their service to the Nation and supporting the goal of AMVETS National Charter Day.

The message further announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h, notwith-

standing the provisions of that section regarding the Chairmanship, and clause 10 of rule I, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group: Mr. KOLBE of Arizona, Chairman, Mr. DREIER of California, Mr. STENHOLM of Texas, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mr. PASTOR of Arizona, Mr. FILNER of California, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD of California, Mr. CANNON of Utah, Mr. REYES of Texas, Mr. TANCREDO of Colorado, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico.

The message also announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d and clause 10 of rule I, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group: Mr. HOUGHTON of New York, Chairman, Mr. GILMAN of New York, Mr. LAFALCE of New York, Mr. SHAW of Florida, Mr. LIPINSKI of Illinois, Ms. SLAUGHTER of New York, Mr. STEARNS of Florida, Mr. MANZULLO of Illinois, Mr. DAN MILLER of Florida, Mr. SOUDER of Indiana, and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 3253. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the establishment within the Department of Veterans Affairs of improved emergency medical preparedness, research, and education programs to combat terrorism, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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

H. Con. Res. 165. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that continual research and education into the cause and cure for fibroid tumors be addressed; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H. Con. Res. 309. Concurrent resolution recognizing the importance of good cervical health and of detecting cervical cancer during its earliest stages; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H. Con. Res. 314. Concurrent resolution recognizing the members of AMVETS for their service to the Nation and supporting the goal of AMVETS National Charter Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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-7164. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the law, a report relative to a Determination and Certification under Section 40A of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7165. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the list of General Accounting Office reports for

January 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-7166. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, the OMB Cost Estimate for Pay-As-You-Go Calculations for report numbers 575 and 576; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-7167. A communication from the Vice Chairman of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to the Republic of Korea; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7168. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Veterans' Employment, Business Opportunity, and Training Act of 2002; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7169. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Hoopa-Yurok Settlement Act; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-7170. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Accounting Periods" ((RIN1545-AX15)(TD8996)) received on May 16, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7171. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule "Ridge and Marjory Harlan v. Commissioner" received on May 17, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7172. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of the Remedial Amendment Period" (Rev. Proc. 2001-55) received on May 17, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7173. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Valuation of Option for Golden Parachute Payment" (Rev. Proc. 2002-13) received on May 17, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7174. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Reporting Forms Implementing FEC Rule Transmitted on March 15, 2002" received on May 9, 2002; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-7175. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, twenty-three recommendations for legislative action; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-7176. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nicotine; Tolerance Revocations" (FRL6836-7) received on May 16, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7177. A communication from the Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Forest System Land and Resource Management Planning; Extension of Compliance Deadline; Interim Final Rule" (RIN0596-AB87) received on May 17, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7178. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department

of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pink Bollworm Regulated Areas; Removal of Oklahoma" (Doc. No. 02-031-1) received on May 17, 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7179. A communication from the Principal 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; New Hampshire; Post-1996 Rate of Progress Plans" (FRL7171-7) received on May 16, 2002; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7180. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Land Disposal Restrictions: Grating of Two Site-Specific Treatment Variances to U.S. Ecology Idaho, Incorporated in Grandview, Idaho and CWM Chemical Services, LLC in Model City, New York" (FRL7214-4) received on May 16, 2002; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7181. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Surface Coating of Metal Coil" (FRL7214-6) received on May 16, 2002; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany S. 1271, a bill to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small business concerns with certain Federal paperwork requirements, to establish a task force to examine information collection and dissemination, and for other purposes. (Rept. No. 107-153).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1742: A bill to prevent the crime of identity theft, mitigate the harm to individuals victimized by identity theft, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. SARBANES for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

*Anthony Lowe, of Washington, to be Federal Insurance Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

*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.

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. BIDEN (for himself and Mr. SPECTER):

S. 2534. A bill to reduce crime and prevent terrorism at America's seaports; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 2535. A bill to designate certain public lands as wilderness and certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in the State of California, to designate Salmon Restoration Areas, to establish the Sacramento River National Conservation Area and Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 2536. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to clarify that section 1927 of that Act does not prohibit a State from entering into drug rebate agreements in order to make outpatient prescription drugs accessible and affordable for residents of the State who are not otherwise eligible for medical assistance under the Medicaid program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 2537. A bill to facilitate the creation of a new, second-level Internet domain within the United States country code domain that will be a haven for material that promotes positive experiences for children and families using the Internet, provides a safe online environment for children, and helps to prevent children from being exposed to harmful material on the Internet, 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. SMITH of Oregon (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 273. A resolution recognizing the centennial of the establishment of Crater Lake National Park; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. Con. Res. 115. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that all workers deserve fair treatment and safe working conditions, and honoring Dolores Huerta for her commitment to the improvement of working conditions for children, women, and farm worker families; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 281

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 281, a bill to authorize the design and construction of a temporary education center at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

S. 701

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 701, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide special rules for the charitable deduction for conservation contributions of land by eligible farmers and ranchers, and for other purposes.

S. 782

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 782, a bill to amend title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to require, as a precondition to commencing a civil action with respect to a place of public accommodation or a commercial facility, that an opportunity be provided to correct alleged violations, and for other purposes.

S. 871

At the request of Mr. CLELAND, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 871, a bill to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for the computation of annuities for air traffic controllers in a similar manner as the computation of annuities for law enforcement officers and firefighters.

S. 1140

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1140, a bill to amend chapter 1 of title 9, United States Code, to provide for greater fairness in the arbitration process relating to motor vehicle franchise contracts.

S. 1152

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1152, a bill to ensure that the business of the Federal Government is conducted in the public interest and in a manner that provides for public accountability, efficient delivery of services, reasonable cost savings, and prevention of unwarranted Government expenses, and for other purposes.

S. 1278

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1278, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a United States independent film and television production wage credit.

S. 1282

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1282, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain forgiven residential mortgage obligations.

S. 1329

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) were added as cosponsors of S. 1329, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax incentive for land sales for conservation purposes.

S. 1339

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1339, a bill to amend