

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DURBIN, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 2720: An original bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes. (Rept. No. 107-209).

By Mr. KENNEDY, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment:

S. 812: A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide greater access to affordable pharmaceuticals.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

John M. Rogers, of Kentucky, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

Marcos D. Jimenez, of Florida, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida for the term of four years.

Miriam F. Miquelon, of Illinois, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois.

James Robert Dougan, of Michigan, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Michigan for the term of four years.

George Breffni Walsh, of Virginia, to be United States Marshal for the District of Columbia for the term of four years.

By Mr. KENNEDY for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

*Peter J. Hurtgen, of Maryland, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director.

*Robert Davila, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council On Disability for a term expiring September 17, 2003.

*Earl A. Powell III, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2006.

*Naomi Shihab Nye, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006.

*Michael Pack, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2004.

*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. BURNS:

S. 2718. A bill to redesignate the position of the Secretary of the Navy as Secretary of the Navy and Marine Corps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. DOMENICI:

S. 2719. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out critical restoration projects along the Middle Rio Grande; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 2720. An original bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fis-

cal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. SARBANES (for himself, Mr. REED, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. CARPER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. CORZINE, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 2721. A bill to improve the voucher rental assistance program under the United States Housing Act of 1937, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2722. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to ensure the proper tax treatment of executives compensation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEAHY:

S. 2723. A bill to provide transitional housing assistance for victims of domestic violence; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. LEAHY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. 2724. A bill to provide regulatory oversight over energy trading markets and metals trading markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CORZINE (for himself and Mr. TORRICELLI):

S. 2725. A bill to amend the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 to restrict ocean dumping at the site off the coast of New Jersey, known as the "Historic Area Remediation Site", to dumping of dredged material that does not exceed polychlorinated biphenyls levels of 113 parts per billion; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 847

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to impose tariff-rate quotas on certain casein and milk protein concentrates.

S. 995

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 995, a bill to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in non-disclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, and for other purposes.

S. 999

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 999, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for a Korea Defense Service Medal to be issued to members of the Armed Forces who participated in operations in Korea after the end of the Korean War.

S. 1298

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey

(Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1298, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide individuals with disabilities and older Americans with equal access to community-based attendant services and supports, and for other purposes.

S. 1394

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) and the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) were added as cosponsors of S. 1394, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 1678

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. CARNAHAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1678, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that a member of the uniformed services or the Foreign Service shall be treated as using a principal residence while away from home on qualified official extended duty in determining the exclusion of gain from the sale of such residence.

S. 1785

At the request of Mr. CLELAND, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1785, a bill to urge the President to establish the White House Commission on National Military Appreciation Month, and for other purposes.

S. 1924

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1924, a bill to promote charitable giving, and for other purposes.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to combat terrorism and defend the Nation against terrorist attacks, and for other purposes.

S. 2047

At the request of Mr. BREAUX, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2047, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow distilled spirits wholesalers a credit against income tax for their cost of carrying Federal excise taxes prior to the sale of the product bearing the tax.

S. 2055

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. CARNAHAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2055, a bill to make grants to train sexual assault nurse examiners, law enforcement personnel, and first responders in the handling of sexual assault cases, to establish minimum standards for forensic evidence collection kits, to carry out DNA analyses of samples from crime scenes, and for other purposes.

S. 2059

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Louisiana

(Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2059, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for Alzheimer's disease research and demonstration grants.

S. 2119

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. CARNAHAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2119, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of inverted corporate entities and of transactions with such entities, and for other purposes.

S. 2135

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2135, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a 5-year extension of the authorization for appropriations for certain medicare rural grants.

S. 2395

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND) were added as cosponsors of S. 2395, a bill to prevent and punish counterfeiting and copyright piracy, and for other purposes.

S. 2425

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2425, a bill to prohibit United States assistance and commercial arms exports to countries and entities supporting international terrorism.

S. 2466

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2466, a bill to modify the contract consolidation requirements in the Small Business Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2480

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2480, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from state laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns.

S. 2489

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) were added as cosponsors of S. 2489, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a program to assist family caregivers in accessing affordable and high-quality respite care, and for other purposes.

S. 2498

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from South Da-

kota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2498, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require adequate disclosure of transactions which have a potential for tax avoidance or evasion, and for other purposes.

S. 2525

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2525, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to increase assistance for foreign countries seriously affected by HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria, and for other purposes.

S. 2554

At the request of Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2554, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish a program for Federal flight deck officers, and for other purposes.

S. 2622

At the request of Mr. HOLLINGS, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2622, a bill to authorize the President to posthumously award a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Joseph A. De Laine in recognition of his contributions to the Nation.

S. 2686

At the request of Mr. KERRY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2686, a bill to strengthen national security by providing whistleblower protections to certain employees at airports, and for other purposes.

S. 2697

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2697, a bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to implement the final rule to phase out snowmobile use in Yellowstone National Park, John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway, and Grand Teton National Park, and snowplane use in Grand Teton National Park.

S.J. RES. 10

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 10, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for women and men.

S. RES. 266

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 266, a resolution designating October 10, 2002, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day."

S. CON. RES. 122

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 122, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that security, reconciliation, and prosperity for all Cypriots can be

best achieved within the context of membership in the European Union which will provide significant rights and obligations for all Cypriots, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4140

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. FRIST) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4140 proposed to S. 2514, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4141

At the request of Mr. FRIST, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4141 proposed to S. 2514, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DOMENICI:

S. 2719. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out critical restoration projects along the Middle Rio Grande; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Mr. DOMENICI. Madam President, great endeavors begin with a vision. Last fall, I joined the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District and the Army Corps of Engineers in unveiling a vision that would rehabilitate and restore the Rio Grande Bosque in Albuquerque, NM.

Today, I rise to introduce a bill that will make that vision a reality. Since last fall, the Army Corps of Engineers has undertaken the task of conducting a feasibility study so that we might gain a better understanding of how best to rehabilitate and restore this beautiful Albuquerque green belt.

I remain grateful to each of the parties who have been involved with this idea since its inception. Each one contributes a very critical component. The Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District owns this vital part of the Bosque which runs from the National Hispanic Cultural Center north to the Paseo Del Norte bridge. The MRGCD has proven to be a valuable local partner in identifying areas for non-native species and other environmental restoration work. Additionally, MRGCD continues to work on the development and implementation of an educational campaign for local public schools on the importance of the Bosque. Finally, MRGCD has continually worked with all parties to provide options on how the Bosque can be preserved, protected and enjoyed by everyone.