

for Public Affairs, received on August 11, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3789. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Testing and Evaluation by Independent Laboratories and Non-MSHA Product Safety Standards" (RIN1219-AA87) received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3790. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transferring, pursuant to law, the Department's revised Commercial Activities Inventory for the Year 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3791. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indian Education Discretionary Grant Program" (RIN1810-AA93) received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3792. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Community Technology Centers Program" received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3793. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Community Technology Centers" received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3794. A communication from the Acting Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's revised draft Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2004-2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3795. A communication from the Director, Regulations, Policy, and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Obstetrical and Gynecological Devices; Classification of the Breast Lesion Documentation" (Doc. no. 2003P-0301) received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3796. A communication from the Director, Regulations, Policy, and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Drug and Biological Drug Products; Evidence Needed to Demonstrate Effectiveness of New Drugs When Human Efficacy Studies Are Not Ethical or Feasible" (RIN0910-AC05) received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3797. A communication from the Director, Regulations, Policy, and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Labeling: Health Claims; Soluble Dietary Fiber From Certain Foods and Coronary Heart Disease" (Doc. no. 2001Q-0313) received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3798. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Mild Traumatic Brain Injury in the United States; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3799. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Civil Rights' Annual Report for Fiscal Years 2001 and 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3800. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Civil Rights, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed for the position of Assistant Secretary, received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3801. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, a letter containing the Secretary's recommendation for the applicable percentage increase in Medicare's hospital inpatient prospective payment system rates for fiscal year 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3802. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Management, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed for the position of Assistant Secretary, received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3803. A communication from the Human Resources Specialist, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Deputy Secretary of Labor, received on September 2, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3804. A communication from the Acting Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, the Commission's Annual Report on the Federal Work Force for fiscal year 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3805. A communication from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" received on August 22, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3806. A communication from the Acting Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, a report of proposed legislation relative to reauthorization of the Board; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3807. A communication from the Chairman and General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 2001 through March 31, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3808. A communication from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2003 inventories of commercial activities and inherently governmental activities performed by employees of the Endowment; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3809. A communication from the Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Representative's FY 2004 Performance Plan and FY 2002 Annual Performance Report; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3810. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Transportation's Report on Management Decisions and Final Actions on Office of Inspector Gen-

eral Audit Recommendations for the period ending March 31, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3811. A communication from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting, a copy of lease prospectuses in support of the General Services Administration's Fiscal Year 2004 Capital Investment and Leasing Program; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3812. A communication from the Chair, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3813. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, the Board's Performance Report for Fiscal Year 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3814. A communication from the Vice President of the United States, transmitting, an alternative plan for across-the-board and locality pay increases payable to civilian Federal employees; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3815. A communication from the Auditor of the District of Columbia, transmitting, a report relative to the Advisory Neighborhood Commission; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3816. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, a report relative to the Federal student loan payment program; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3817. A communication from the Chairman, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Office of Inspector General's inventory of inherently governmental and commercial activities; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. 1583. An original bill making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-142).

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

S.J. Res. 1. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HATCH for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Glen E. Conrad, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia.

Kim R. Gibson, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Larry Alan Burns, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

Dana Makoto Sabraw, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

Michael W. Mosman, of Oregon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon.

Henry F. Floyd, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

(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. DOMENICI (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 1582. A bill to amend the Valles Preservation Act to improve the preservation of the Valles Caldera, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DEWINE:

S. 1583. An original bill making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

s. 171

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) were added as cosponsors of S. 171, a bill to amend the title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide payment to medicare ambulance suppliers of the full costs of providing such services, and for other purposes.

s. 300

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 300, a bill to award a congressional gold medal to Jackie Robinson (posthumously), in recognition of his many contributions to the Nation, and to express the sense of Congress that there should be a national day in recognition of Jackie Robinson.

s. 386

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 386, a bill to establish a grant program to enhance the financial and retirement literacy of mid-life and older Americans and to reduce financial abuse and fraud among such Americans, and for other purposes.

s. 451

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 451, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase the minimum Survivor Benefit Plan basic annuity for surviving spouses age 62 and older, to provide for a one-year open season under that plan, and for other purposes.

s. 460

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey

(Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 460, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2004 through 2010 to carry out the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program.

s. 473

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 473, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the United States over waters of the United States.

s. 491

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 491, a bill to expand research regarding inflammatory bowel disease, and for other purposes.

s. 514

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) were added as cosponsors of S. 514, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 1993 income tax increase on Social Security benefits.

s. 629

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 629, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to assist individuals who have lost their 401(k) savings to make additional retirement savings through individual retirement account contributions, and for other purposes.

s. 664

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 664, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the research credit, to increase the rates of the alternative incremental credit, and to provide an alternative simplified credit for qualified research expenses.

s. 893

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 893, a bill to amend title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to establish provisions with respect to religious accommodation in employment, and for other purposes.

s. 1023

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1023, a bill to increase the annual salaries of justices and judges of the United States.

s. 1172

At the request of Mr. FRIST, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1172, a bill to establish grants to provide health services for improved nutrition, increased physical

activity, obesity prevention, and for other purposes.

s. 1222

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1222, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in determining eligibility for payment under the prospective payment system for inpatient rehabilitation facilities, to apply criteria consistent with rehabilitation impairment categories established by the Secretary for purposes of such prospective payment system.

s. 1245

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1245, a bill to provide for homeland security grant coordination and simplification, and for other purposes.

s. 1252

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1252, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

s. 1344

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1344, a bill to amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to require additional disclosures relating to exchange rates in transfers involving international transactions, and for other purposes.

s. 1390

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1390, a bill to protect children and their parents from being coerced into administering a controlled substance in order to attend school, and for other purposes.

s. 1431

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) and the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) were added as cosponsors of S. 1431, a bill to reauthorize the assault weapons ban, and for other purposes.

s. 1485

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 1485, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to protect the rights of employees to receive overtime compensation.

s. 1497

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