

and Nationality Act as Amended—Immediate Relative (22 CFR Part 42)” received on March 12, 2003; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1669. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to a legislative proposal to restructure the patent fees and adjust trademark fees for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 164. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of sites associated with the life of Cesar Estrada Chavez and the farm labor movement (Rept. No. 108-20).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 212. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the High Plains States in conducting a hydrogeologic characterization, mapping, modeling and monitoring program for the High Plains Aquifer, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-21).

From the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 220. A bill to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Illinois (Rept. No. 108-22).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 278. A bill to make certain adjustments to the boundaries of the Mount Naomi Wilderness Area, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-23).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 328. A bill to designate Catoctin Mountain Park in the State of Maryland as the “Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area”, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-24).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 347. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a joint special resources study to evaluate the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Rim of the Valley Corridor as a unit of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-25).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 425. A bill to revise the boundary of the Wind Cave National Park in the State of South Dakota (Rept. No. 108-26).

H.R. 397. A bill to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Illinois (Rept. No. 108-27).

### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

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

\*Kenneth M. Ford, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation.

\*Dario Fernandez-Morera, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities.

\*Mary Costa, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts.

\*Makoto Fujimura, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts.

\*Jerry Pinkney, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts.

\*Karen Lias Wolff, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts.

\*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. REED:

S. 656. A bill to provide for the adjustment of status of certain nationals of Liberia to that of lawful permanent residence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAYH (for himself and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 657. A bill to amend title IV of the Social Security Act to provide grants to promote responsible fatherhood, to encourage teen pregnancy prevention strategies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 658. A bill to extend the authority for Energy Savings Performance Contracts and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CRAIG (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BOND, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MILLER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. REID, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. TALENT, and Mr. THOMAS):

S. 659. A bill to prohibit civil liability actions from being brought or continued against manufacturers, distributors, dealers, or importers of firearms or ammunition for damages resulting from the misuse of their products by others; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JOHNSON:

S. 660. A bill to extend limitations on certain provisions of State law under the Fair Credit Reporting Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 661. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to equalize the exclusion

from gross income of parking and transportation fringe benefits and to provide for a common cost-of-living adjustment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 662. A bill to extend to Nepal certain preferential treatment with respect to apparel articles; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. INOUE:

S. 663. A bill for the relief of the Pottawatomi Nation in Canada for settlement of certain claims against the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SMITH, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. KYL, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BUNNING, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. ALLEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. BAYH, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. MILLER, and Ms. CANTWELL):

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; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. MILLER, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 665. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for farmers and fisherman, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 666. A bill to provide incentives to increase research by private sector entities to develop antivirals, antibiotics and other drugs, vaccines, microbicides, detection, and diagnostic technologies to prevent and treat illnesses associated with a biological, chemical, or radiological weapons attack; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 667. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to strengthen payment limitations for commodity payments and benefits; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. DODD, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 668. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to provide incentive grants to improve the quality of child care; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. KOHL, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. LINCOLN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BAYH, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 669. A bill to provide more child support money to families leaving welfare, to simplify the rules governing the assignment and distribution of child support collected by States on behalf of children, to improve the collection of child support, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

S. Con. Res. 24. A concurrent resolution concerning a joint meeting of Congress and

the culminating year of the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Korean War; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 15

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 15, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the payment of compensation for certain individuals with injuries resulting from the administration of smallpox countermeasures, to provide protections and countermeasures against chemical, radiological, or nuclear agents that may be used in a terrorist attack against the United States, and to improve immunization rates by increasing the distribution of vaccines and improving and clarifying the vaccine injury compensation program.

S. 138

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of S. 138, a bill to temporarily increase the Federal medical assistance percentage for the medicaid program.

S. 140

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 140, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend loan forgiveness for certain loans to Head Start teachers.

S. 202

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 202, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow as a deduction in determining adjusted gross income that deduction for expenses in connection with services as a member of a reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States, to allow employers a credit against income tax with respect to employees who participate in the military reserve components, and to allow a comparable credit for participating reserve component self-employed individuals, and for other purposes.

S. 215

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 215, a bill to authorize funding assistance for the States for the discharge of homeland security activities by the National Guard.

S. 300

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. CAMPBELL) 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. 349

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 349, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 363

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 363, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide that the reductions in social security benefits which are required in the case of spouses and surviving spouses who are also receiving certain Government pensions shall be equal to the amount by which two-thirds of the total amount of the combined monthly benefit (before reduction) and monthly pension exceeds \$1,200, adjusted for inflation.

S. 371

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 371, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to ensure an adequate supply vaccines.

S. 380

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 380, a bill to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to reform the funding of benefits under the Civil Service Retirement System for employees of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes.

S. 437

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 437, a bill to provide for adjustments to the Central Arizona Project in Arizona, to authorize the Gila River Indian Community water rights settlement, to reauthorize and amend the Southern Arizona Water Rights Settlement Act of 1982, and for other purposes.

S. 448

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 448, a bill to leave no child behind.

S. 451

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, his name was added as a cosponsor 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. 464

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 464, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify and expand the credit for electricity produced from renewable resources and waste products, and for other purposes.

S. 480

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 480, a bill to provide competitive grants for training court reporters and closed captioners to meet requirements for realtime writers under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and for other purposes.

S. 511

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 511, a bill to provide permanent funding for the Payment In Lieu of Taxes program, and for other purposes.

S. 530

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 530, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to create a presumption that a disability or death of a Federal employee in fire protection activities caused by any of certain diseases is the result of the performance of such employee's duty.

S. 560

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 560, a bill to impose tariff-rate quotas on certain casein and milk protein concentrates.

S. 569

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 569, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 582

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 582, a bill to authorize the Department of Energy to develop and implement an accelerated research and development program for advanced clean coal technologies for use in coal-based electricity generating facilities and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide financial incentives to encourage the retrofitting, repowering, or replacement of coal-based electricity generating facilities to protect the environment and improve efficiency and encourage the early commercial application of advanced clean coal technologies, so as to allow coal to help meet the growing need of the United States for the generation of reliable and affordable electricity.

S. 623

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) and the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) were added as cosponsors of S. 623, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Federal civilian and military retirees to pay health insurance premiums on a pretax basis and to allow a deduction for TRICARE supplemental premiums.