

Americans Act Amendments of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 3001 note), and the order of the House of December 8, 2003, the Speaker appoints the following Members on the part of the House of Representatives to the policy committee of the White House Conference on Aging: Mr. E. CLAY SHAW, Jr. of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Mr. HOWARD P. (BUCK) MCKEON of Santa Clarita, California.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 958. An act to authorize certain hydrographic services programs, to name a cove in Alaska in honor of the late Able Bodied Seaman Eric Steiner Koss, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 2408. An act to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to reauthorize volunteer programs and community partnerships for national wildlife refuges and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-6727. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exclusion of Qualified Automobile Demonstration Use; Taxation of Non-qualified Demonstration Automobile Use" (Rev. Proc. 2001-56) received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6728. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarification of the Conformity Election" (Rev. Rul. 2001-59) received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6729. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Markets Tax Credit Amendments" (TD9116) received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6730. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2004 Census Count" (Notice 2004-21) received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6731. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bureau of Labor Statistics Price Indexes for Department Stores — January 2004" (Rev. Rul. 2004-35) received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6732. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Under Section 1502; Application of Section 108 to Members of a Consolidated Group" (RIN1545-BC96) received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6733. A communication from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's March 2004 Report to Congress; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6734. A communication from the Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy,

Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Plan Colombia/Andean Ridge Counterdrug Initiative Semi-Annual Obligation Report; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6735. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to various conditions in Bosnia-Herzegovina; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6736. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6737. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to payments made to Cuba as a result of the provision of telecommunications services pursuant to Department of the Treasury specific licenses; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6738. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: United States Munitions List" (RIN1400-ZA06) received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6739. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6740. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of texts and background statements of international agreements other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6741. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of texts and background statements of international agreements other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6742. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export of small arms to Iraq for use of private security; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6743. A communication from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's report under the Government in Sunshine Act for calendar year 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6744. A communication from the Director, Office of Employment Policy, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Recruitment and Selection Through Competitive Examination" (RIN3206-AJ52) received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6745. A communication from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's Annual Report for fiscal year 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6746. A communication from the Chairman, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6747. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Energy for the period ending March 31, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6748. A communication from the Special Counsel, United States Office of Special Counsel, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Office for fiscal years 2003 through 2007; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6749. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to unvouchered expenditures; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-6750. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6751. A communication from the Personnel Management Specialist, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a designation of acting officer, nomination, and nomination confirmed for the position of Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, Department of Labor, received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6752. A communication from the Personnel Management Specialist, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary for Disability Employment Policy, Department of Labor, received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6753. A communication from the Personnel Management Specialist, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a designation of acting officer, nomination, and nomination confirmed for the position of Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards, Department of Labor, received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6754. A communication from the Personnel Management Specialist, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed for the position of Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor, received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6755. A communication from the Personnel Management Specialist, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Commissioner of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor, received on March 16, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6756. A communication from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the National Healthcare Disparities Report; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6757. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' success in reducing the costs and burden of encounter data to Medicare+Choice organizations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6758. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to clinical preventive services for older Americans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6759. A communication from the Director, Regulations and Forms Services, Citizenship and Immigration Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Eliminating the Numerical Cap on Mexican TN Nonimmigrants" (RIN1651-AA96) received on March 15, 2004; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6760. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the National Guard Challenge Program Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2003; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. DOMENICI for the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

*Sue Ellen Wooldridge, of Virginia, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.

*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. WARNER (for himself and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 2229. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2004, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 2230. A bill to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to include shifts in production, for purposes of trade adjustment assistance, to countries to which the United States has extended permanent normal trade relations; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 491

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) were added as cosponsors of S. 491, a bill to expand research regarding inflammatory bowel disease, and for other purposes.

S. 527

At the request of Mrs. DOLE, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 527, a bill to establish the Southern Regional Commission for the purpose of breaking the cycle of persistent poverty among the southeastern States.

S. 846

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 846, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for premiums on mortgage insurance, and for other purposes.

S. 976

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms.

COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 976, a bill to provide for the issuance of a coin to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement.

S. 1129

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1129, a bill to provide for the protection of unaccompanied alien children, and for other purposes.

S. 1398

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1398, a bill to provide for the environmental restoration of the Great Lakes.

S. 1411

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1411, a bill to establish a National Housing Trust Fund in the Treasury of the United States to provide for the development of decent, safe, and affordable housing for low-income families, and for other purposes.

S. 1422

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1422, a bill to provide assistance to train teachers of children with autism spectrum disorders, and for other purposes.

S. 1822

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1822, a bill to require disclosure of financial relationships between brokers and mutual fund companies and of certain brokerage commissions paid by mutual fund companies.

S. 1834

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1834, a bill to waive time limitations in order to allow the Medal of Honor to be awarded to Gary Lee McKiddy, of Miamisburg, Ohio, for acts of valor while a helicopter crew chief and door gunner with the 1st Cavalry Division during the Vietnam War.

S. 1902

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1902, a bill to establish a National Commission on Digestive Diseases.

S. 1907

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1907, a bill to promote rural safety and improve rural law enforcement.

S. 1909

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1909, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve stroke prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation.

S. 2088

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from California

(Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2088, a bill to restore, reaffirm, and reconcile legal rights and remedies under civil rights statutes.

S. 2158

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE), and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) were added as cosponsors of S. 2158, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the supply of pancreatic islet cells for research, and to provide for better coordination of Federal efforts and information on islet cell transplantation.

S. 2186

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2186, a bill to temporarily extend the programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, through May 15, 2004, and for other purposes.

S. 2193

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2193, a bill to improve small business loan programs, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2193, *supra*.

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2193, *supra*.

S. 2212

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2212, a bill to amend title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930 to provide that the provisions relating to countervailing duties apply to nonmarket economy countries.

S.J. RES. 30

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 30, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage.

S. CON. RES. 81

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 81, a concurrent resolution expressing the deep concern of Congress regarding the failure of the Islamic Republic of Iran to adhere to its obligations under a safeguards agreement with the International Atomic Energy Agency and the engagement by Iran in activities that appear to be designed to develop nuclear weapons.

S. CON. RES. 88

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 88, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that there should continue to be parity between the adjustments in the pay of