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Skadden Delaware lawyers have also contributed their professional and personal resources to a wide variety of civic and charitable endeavors outside the confines of their law practice, to the consistent benefit of the State of Delaware and its citizens.

Former Skadden Delaware lawyers have gone on to hold positions of high trust and importance in the State of Delaware, serving on the Court of Chancery and the supreme court, as counsel to the Governor, as U.S. attorney, and as president of the Delaware bar.

I thank Skadden Delaware for all that they do, not only in Delaware, but across the country, and I wish them a very happy 25th anniversary. I rise today to offer my full support and to congratulate them on a remarkable quarter century of success.●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 9:48 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker of the House of Representatives has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 3926. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to promote organ donation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1997. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, and the Uniform Code of Military Justice to protect unborn children from assault and murder, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

At 12:42 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, with an amendment:

S. Con. Res. 95. Concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2005 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2006 through 2009.

The message further announced that the House insist upon its amendment to the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 95) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2005 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2006 through 2009, and ask a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon.

Ordered that Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. PORTMAN, and Mr. SPRATT, be the managers of the conference on the part of the House.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3723. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8135 Forest Lane in Dallas, Texas, as the "Vaughn Gross Post Office Building".

H.R. 3917. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 695 Marconi Boulevard in Copiague, New York, as the "Maxine S. Postal United States Post Office".

The message also announced that the House agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2584) to provide for the conveyance to the Utrok Atoll local government of a decommissioned National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration ship, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to (10 U.S.C. 111 note) the Minority Leader hereby appoints retired Army Lt. General H.G. (Pete) Taylor, to the Commission on the Review of the Overseas Military Facility Structure of the United States.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 3723. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8135 Forest Lane in Dallas, Texas, as the "Vaughn Gross Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3917. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 695 Marconi Boulevard in Copiague, New York, as the "Maxine S. Postal United States Post Office"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 2250. A bill to extend the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2002, and for other purposes.

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-6856. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 02-09; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6857. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 03-02; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6858. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 00-06; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6859. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6860. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Critical Skills Retention Bonus program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6861. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the notification of the Department's intent to transfer \$372 million from the Defense Working Capital Funds to the Operation and Maintenance Appropriations; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6862. A communication from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the transfer of the historic harbor tug ex-HOGA (YTM 146) to the Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum, North Little Rock, Arkansas; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6863. A communication from the Secretary of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of an Average Procurement Unit Cost and a Program Acquisition Unit Cost (PAUC) breach; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6864. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy for the position of Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Logistics and Material Readiness, Department of Defense, received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6865. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Review Panels performing duties pursuant to the Military Commission process; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6866. A communication from the Principal Deputy for Personnel and Readiness, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the annual audit of the American Red Cross; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6867. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition

Policy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Free Trade Agreements—Chile and Singapore" (DFARS Case 2003-D088) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6868. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Truth in Lending: Rule of Construction" (R-1167) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6869. A communication from the Assistant Director, Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bank Activities and Operations—12 CFR Part 7" received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6870. A communication from the Legal Counsel, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Funds Availability Inviting Applications for the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund" received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6871. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A300 B2 and B4 Series Airplanes Model A300 B4-600 A300-B4-600R and A300 F4-600R Series Airplanes (Doc. No. 2001-NM-302) Model A310 Series Airplanes Model A319, A320, and A321 Series Airplanes Model A330-301, 321, 322, 341, and 342" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6872. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Aerospace Technologies of Australia Pty. Ltd. Models N22B, N22S, N24A Airplanes Doc. No. 2003-CE-37" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6873. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Rolls-Royce plc RB211 Trent 500 Series Turbofan Engines Doc. No. NE 2003-NE-56" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6874. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A319 and A320 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-301" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6875. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Dassault Model Mystere-Falcon 900 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-390" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6876. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model MD-90-30 Air-

planes Doc. No. 2001-NM-275" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6877. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 767-200 and 300 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2003-NM-49" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6878. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Johnson, KS Doc. No. 04-ACE-17" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6879. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Gideon, MO Doc. No. 04-ACE-16" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6880. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A 300 B2-1C, B2-203, B2K-3C, B4-2C, B4-103, N4-203 Series Airplanes Model A300B4-600, B4-600R and F4-600R (Collectively Called A300-600) Series Airplanes and Model A310 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-113" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6881. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9 81-83, DC-9-87 and MD 88 Airplanes Doc. No. 2000-NM-170" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6882. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-200 Series Airplanes Modified by Supplemental Type Certificate ST00516AT; Doc. No. 2002-NM-238" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6883. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Festus, MO Doc. No. 04-ACE-14" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6884. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Fulton, MO Doc. No. 04-ACE-15" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6885. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Springfield, MO Doc. No. 03-ACE-100" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

(RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6886. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Cedar Rapids, IA Doc. No. 04-ACE-10" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6887. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Cassville, MO Doc. No. 04-ACE-18" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6888. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9 81-83, DC-9-87 and MD 88 Airplanes Doc. No. 2000-NM-170" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6889. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-300, 400, and 500 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-88" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6890. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10-10F, 15, 30, 30F, 30F(CK-10A and KDC-10), 40, 40F, MD-10-10F and 30F Airplanes and Model MD-11 and 11F Airplanes Doc. No. 2003-NM-43" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6891. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Bombardier Model DHC-8-400-401 and 402 Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-311" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6892. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 767 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2004-NM-17" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6893. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Des Moines, IA Doc. No. 04-ACE011" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6894. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 747-200C and 200F Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-278" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6895. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A300 B4-600, B4-600R, and F4-600R (Collectively Called A300-600) Series Airplanes Model A310 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-303" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6896. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Learjet Model 31, 31A, 35, 35A (C021A0, 36, and 36A Airplanes) Doc. No. 2001-NM-366" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6897. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Aerospatiale Model ATR72 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-376" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6898. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: General Electric Company CT58 Series and T58 Series Turboshaft Engines Doc. No. 2003-NE-66" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6899. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 777-200 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2004-NM-28" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6900. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 777-200 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-320" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6901. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A320-111, 2111, and 231 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-118" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6902. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: BAE Systems (Operations) Limited (Jetstream) Model 4101 Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-355" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6903. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Dassault Model Falcon 900EX Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2001-NM-283" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6904. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Adminis-

tration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A319 A320 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-183" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6905. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: General Electric Company (GE) CF6-80 Series Turbofan Engines Doc. No. 2004-NE-05" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6906. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A320-111, 211, 212, and 231 Series Airplanes" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6907. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Fokker Model F28 Mark 0070 and 0100 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2004-NM-10" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6908. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A300 B2 and B4 Airplanes, A300 B4-600 and 600R, C4-605R Variant F, and F4-600R (Collectively Called A300-600) and A310 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2002-NM-04" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6909. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Eurocopter France Model AS350B, BA, B1, B2, B3, C, D, D1, E, F, F1, F2, and N Helicopters Doc. No. 2002-SW-44" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6910. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Rolls-Royce Corporation A 3007 Series Turbofan Engines Doc. No. 2000-NE-29" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6911. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-200 and 300 Series Airplanes Equipped with a Main Deck Cargo Door Installed in Accordance with Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) SA2969SO Doc. No. 2003-NM-170" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6912. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 737-600, 700, 700C, 800, and 900 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2004-NM-03" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to

the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6913. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Bombardier Model Otter DHC-3 Airplanes Doc. No. 2000-CE-73" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6914. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Raytheon Aircraft Corporation Beech Models 45(YT-34), A45 (T-34A, B-45) and D45 (T-34B) Airplanes Doc. No. 2000-CE-09" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6915. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: General Electric Company CF34-8E Series Turbofan Engines Doc. No. 2004-NE-06" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6916. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Boeing Model 767 Series Airplanes Doc. No. 2004-NM-17" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6917. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Eurocopter France Model 1555B Helicopters Doc. No. 2003-SW-12" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6918. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Eurocopter France Model AS365 N3 Helicopters Doc. No. 2003-SW-11" (RIN2120-AA64) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6919. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Clinton, MO; Doc. No. 04-ACE-2" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6920. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Parsons, KS; Doc. No. 04-ACE-4" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6921. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Larned, KS; Doc. No. 04-ACE-8" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6922. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Neodesha, KS; Doc. No. 04-ACE-6" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6923. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class D and E Airspace; Olive Branch, MS; Doc. No. 03-ASO-19" (RIN2120-AA66) received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6924. A communication from the Under Secretary for Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to foreign-policy based export controls; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6925. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation, received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6926. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals; Taking of Marine Mammals Incidental to Rocket and Missile Launch Operations from Vandenberg Air Force Base (VAFB)" received on March 29, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. WARNER for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. Charles C. Baldwin.

Air Force nomination of Col. Cecil R. Richardson.

Army nominations beginning Brigadier General James J. Bisson and ending Colonel Omer C. Tooley, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 11, 2004.

Navy nomination of Capt. Elizabeth A. Hight.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (Ih) Nancy E. Brown.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. president, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORD on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Air Force nomination of Arthur R. Homer.
Air Force nomination of William R. Kent III.

Air Force nomination of Lori J. Fink.

Air Force nominations beginning Patricia K. Collins and ending Jeffrey E. Sherwood, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 26, 2004.

Air Force nominations beginning Christopher D. Boyer and ending Matthew E. Coombs, which nominations were received by

the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 26, 2004.

Air Force nomination of Richard G. Hutchison.

Air Force nomination of Jeffery C. Sims.

Air Force nominations beginning Douglas R. Alfaro and ending Fi A. Yi, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 1, 2004.

Air Force nomination of Christine R. Gundel.

Air Force nominations beginning Boikai B. Braggs and ending Charles W. Fox, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 11, 2004.

Air Force nomination of David W. Puvogel.

Air Force nomination of Terrance J. Wohlfel.

Army nominations beginning Dale A. Adams and ending Nicholas E. Zoeller, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 21, 2003.

Army nominations beginning Thomas M. Besch and ending Albert M. Zaccor, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 22, 2004.

Army nominations beginning Kenneth L. Alford and ending James R. Yonts, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 22, 2004.

Army nominations beginning Thomas E. Bailey and ending Daniel S. Zupan, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 22, 2004.

Army nominations beginning Eileen M. Ahearn and ending x4578, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 22, 2004.

Army nomination of Gary W. Stinnett.

Army nomination of James M. Ives.

Army nomination of Paul Swicord.

Army nomination of Stephen A. Bernstein.

Army nomination of James R. Hudson.

Army nomination of Gary J. Garay.

Army nomination of John W. Ervin.

Army nominations beginning Floyd T. Curry and ending Jeffrey B. Wheeler, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 26, 2004.

Army nominations beginning John E. Armistead and ending Eugene R. Woolridge, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 26, 2004.

Army nomination of Randall J. Vance.

Army nomination of Craig M. Doane.

Army nomination of Carol A. Cullinan.

Army nomination of Christopher B. Soltis.

Army nominations beginning Jeffrey A. Tong and ending Timothy M. Ward, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

Army nominations beginning James M. Gaudio and ending Beverly A. Herard, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

Army nominations beginning Michael J. Harris and ending Robert L. Legg, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

Army nominations beginning David N. Aycock and ending David E. Lindberg, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

Army nominations of Michael T. Lawhorn.

Army nominations beginning Derron A. Alves and ending Alisa R. Wilma, which

nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

Army nominations Joel R. Bachman and ending Sherry L. Womack, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

Army nominations beginning Curtis J.*Aberle and ending Pamela M. *Wulf, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

Army nominations beginning Gina M. *Agron and ending Jeffrey V. Zottola, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

Army nominations beginning Bruce M. Frederickson and ending William A. Petty, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

Navy nomination of David R. Agle.

Navy nominations beginning Hugh B. Burke and ending Jeanine B. Womble, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

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

*Alphonso R. Jackson, of Texas, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

By Mr. GRASSLEY for the Committee on Finance.

*Donald Korb, of Ohio, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.

*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. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2255. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 695 Marconi Boulevard in Copiague, New York, as the "Maxine S. Postal United States Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 2256. A bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to exempt preparation for high-skill, high-demand jobs from participation and time limits under the temporary assistance for needy families program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. DAYTON, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 2257. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to deliver a meaningful benefit and lower prescription drug prices under the medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. GREGG, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. THOMAS):

S. 2258. A bill to revise certain requirements for H-2B employers for fiscal year 2004, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.