

became a full-time city carrier and was later promoted to the position of Window Distribution Clerk in Saint Ann, Missouri. Three years later, he was reassigned to the Florissant post office as a substitute carrier, then to full-time carrier and then to Distribution Clerk Letter Sorting Machines. In 1974, Mr. Corbett was reassigned to the Saint Louis Mail Processing Plant as a Mail Sorting Machine Clerk. Mr. Corbett obtained his first position of leadership when he was promoted to Foreman Mails EAS Level 15 in December of 1974. Three years later, he was promoted to Supervisor Mails Multi-Position LSM EAS 16. The following year he was promoted to General Foreman Mails EAS 17. Mr. Corbett became Postmaster EAS 18 of the Wentzville, Missouri, Post Office on June 14, 1980. In March 1988, he reached EAS 20 level.

Mr. Corbett is involved in several area organizations and charitable causes, such as the National Association of Postmasters of the United States, the Wentzville Rotary Club, and the Wentzville Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of St. Patrick Church and sits of the Developmental Disability Resource Board of St. Charles County. In addition, he is actively involved in the Crossroads Regional Medical Center Charitable Foundation.

Mr. Corbett has been married to Nancy K. Scott Corbett for 32 years and he has two sons, Bret and Jeff Corbett. Bret is married to Courtney Carrothers Corbett. Mr. Corbett has been blessed with four grandchildren: Mackenzie, Abigail, Emma, and Kaiya. Following his retirement from the United States Postal Service, Mr. Corbett looks forward to golfing, fishing, camping, and traveling. He also plans to spend quality time with his family. ●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

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-1084. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled

“Implementation of the Government in the Sunshine Act Calendar Year 2004” received on February 16, 2005; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-1085. A communication from the Chair, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Annual Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2004” received on February 17, 2005; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-1086. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Report on DoD Actions to Support Voting Assistance to Armed Forces Outside the U.S.” received on February 14, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1087. A communication from the Publications Control Officer, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Law Enforcement Reporting” (RIN0702-AA42-U) received on February 16, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1088. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Tax Procedures for Overseas Contracts” (DFARS Case 2003-D031) received on February 17, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1089. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program” (DFARS Case 2003-D063) received on February 17, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1090. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “PAN Carbon Fiber—Restriction to Domestic Sources” (DFARS Case 2004-D002) received on February 17, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1091. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1092. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, its semiannual report entitled “Monetary Policy Report” received on February 16, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1093. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled, “XBRL Voluntary Financial Reporting Program on the EDGAR System” (RIN3235-AJ32) received on February 17, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1094. A communication from the Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “FY 2006 Budget Justification”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1095. A communication from the Board Members, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Justification of Budget Estimates for Fiscal Year 2006”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1096. 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 Company 90, 99, 100, 200, and 300 Airplanes” ((2120-AA64 (2005-0100)) received on February 17, 2005; to the Com-

mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1097. 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 Airplanes” ((RIN2120-AA64 (2005-0102)) received on February 17, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1098. A communication from the Regulatory Officer, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Title VI Regulations for FMCSA Financial Assistance Recipients” (RIN2126-AA79) received on February 17, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1099. A communication from the Acting Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Closure of Central GOA Inshore Pacific Cod” received on February 17, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1100. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 15-751, “Electronic Recording Procedures Act of 2004”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1101. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 15-770, “Technical Amendments Act of 2005”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1102. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 15-742, “Public School Enrollment Integrity Clarification and Board of Education Honoraria Amendment Act of 2004”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1103. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 15-757, “First Amendment Rights and Police Standards”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1104. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 15-745, “School Safety and Security Contracting Procedures Act of 2004”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1105. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 15-743, “Notice Requirement for Publicly Funded Building Projects Amendment Act of 2004”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1106. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 15-759, “Child and Youth, Safety and Health Omnibus Amendment Act of 2004”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1107. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Government Accountability Office’s, “Performance and Accountability Highlights” for fiscal year 2004; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1108. A communication from the Director of Congressional Relations, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission’s

annual statement, received on February 8, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1109. A communication from the Secretary, Smithsonian Institution, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Institute's report on competitive sourcing and competitions for fiscal years 2003 and 2004, received on January 25, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1110. A communication from the President, James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Foundation's consolidated annual report, received on January 25, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1111. A communication from the Executive Associate Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on competitive sourcing efforts for fiscal year 2004, received on February 7, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1112. A communication from the Office of the Director, National Gallery of Art, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on competitive sourcing methods for fiscal year 2004, received on February 7, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1113. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Administration and Information Management, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a change concerning a vacancy, received February 7, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1114. A communication from the Deputy Director for Administration and Information Management, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report for competitions completed or initiated in fiscal year 2004, received on February 7, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1115. A communication from the Chairman, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Report of the Administration of the Government in the Sunshine Act for Calendar Year 2004, received on February 7, 2004; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1116. A communication from the Under Secretary for Management, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's annual Report to Congress on Fiscal Year 2004 Competitive Sourcing Efforts, received on February 7, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1117. A communication from the Administrator, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Administration's competitive sourcing initiative, received on February 8, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1118. A message from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice stating that the emergency declared with respect to the Government of Cuba on February 24, 1996, as amended and expanded on February 26, 2004, is to continue in effect beyond March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1119. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Minimum Funding Under the Indian Housing Block Grant Pro-

gram" ((RIN2577-AC43) (FR-4825-I-03)) received February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1120. A communication from the Acting Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "31 CFR part 515, Cuban Assets Control Regulations" received on February 28, 2005.

EC-1121. A communication from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Austria; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1122. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Periodic Report on the National Emergency With Respect to Zimbabwe" received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1123. A communication from the Deputy Director of Budget, Office of the Budget, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Payment in Lieu of Taxes" (RIN1093-AA09) received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of February 17, 2005, the following reports of committees were submitted on February 23, 2005:

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

S. 47. A bill to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land in the Santa Fe National Forest and certain non-Federal land in the Pecos National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico (Rept. No. 109-7).

S. 74. A bill to designate a portion of the White Salmon River as a component of the National Wilds and Scenic Rivers System (Rept. No. 109-8).

S. 153. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a resource study of the Rim of the Valley Corridor in the State of California to evaluate alternatives for protecting the resources of the Corridor, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-9).

S. 212. A bill to amend the Valles Caldera Preservation Act to improve the preservation of the Valles Caldera, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-10).

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. 225. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program to reduce the risks from and mitigate the effects of avalanches on recreational users of public land (Rept. No. 109-11).

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

S. 254. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Lander County, Nevada, and the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Eureka County, Nevada, for continued use as cemeteries (Rept. No. 109-12).

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The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 156. A bill to designate the Ojito Wilderness Study Area as wilderness, to take certain land into trust for the Pueblo of Zia, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-13).

By Mr. SPECTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany S. 5, a bill to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-14).

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. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. SARBANES, and Mr. CORZINE):

S. 468. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to enhance literacy in finance and economics, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. LOTT, Mr. ROBERTS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BAYH, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. HAGEL, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 469. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income the gain from the sale of a principal residence by certain employees of the intelligence community; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 470. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to expand the clinical trials drug data bank; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SMITH, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 471. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEAHY:

S. 472. A bill to criminalize Internet scams involving fraudulently obtaining personal information, commonly known as phishing; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 473. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to promote and improve the allied health professions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SMITH:

S. 474. A bill to establish the Mark O. Hatfield-Elizabeth Furse Scholarship and Excellence in Tribal Governance Foundation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. ENZI):

S. 475. A bill to amend the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 and other Acts to improve housing for Indians; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ALLARD, Mr.