

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-1767. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Subsistence Harvest in Alaska; Harvest Regulations for Migratory Birds in Alaska During the 2005 Season" (RIN1018-AT77) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1768. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Albuquerque/Bernalillo County" (FRL NO. 7897-6) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1769. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Substitute Refrigerant Recycling; Amendment to the Definition of Refrigerant" (FRL NO. 7899-3) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1770. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Outer Continental Shelf Air Regulations Consistency Update for California" (FRL NO. 7896-2) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1771. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories: Generic Maximum Achievable Control Technology Standards; and National Emission Standards for Ethylene Manufacturing Process Units: Heat Exchange Systems and Waste Operations" (FRL NO. 7899-1) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1772. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Agreed Orders in the Beaumont/Port Arthur Ozone Nonattainment Area" (FRL NO. 7898-7) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1773. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; 15% Rate-of-Progress Plan and Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets, Dallas/Fort Worth Ozone Nonattainment Area" (FRL NO. 7897-7) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1774. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting,

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans Georgia: Approval of Revisions to the Georgia State Implementation Plan" (FRL NO. 7898-5) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1775. A communication from the Chief Judge, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the District of Columbia Family Court Act; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1776. A communication from the Auditor of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2004 Annual Report on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1777. A communication from the Solicitor, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of General Counsel, received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1778. A communication from the Acting Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Absence and Leave; SES Annual Leave" (RIN3206-AK72) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1779. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on Acquisitions Made from Foreign Manufacturers for Fiscal Year 2004"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1780. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health Reimbursement Arrangements" (Rev. Rul. 2005-24) received on April 11, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1781. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines: Maquiladora—Section 168(g)" (UIL: 168.29-06) received on April 11, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1782. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fair Market Value in a Section 412(i) Plan" (Rev. Proc. 2005-25) received on April 11, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1783. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residence and Source Rules Involving U.S. Possessions and Other Conforming Changes" (RIN1545-BE22) (TD 9194) received on April 11, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1784. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weighted Average Interest Rate Update Notice—Pension Funding Equity Act of 2004" (Notice 2005-34) received on April 11, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1785. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Procedures for the Extended Period of Limitations on Assessment for Listed Transactions" (Rev. Proc. 2005-26) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1786. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bureau of Labor Statistics Price Indexes for Department Stores—February 2005" (Rev. Rul. 2005-26) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1787. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Russia and Kazakhstan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1788. A communication from the Administrator of the Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Development Assistance and Child Survival and Health Programs Allocations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1789. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1790. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a correction to the Department's Fiscal Year 2000 report relative to the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1791. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a draft bill to reauthorize United States participation in and appropriations for the U.S. contribution to, the tenth replenishment of the resources of the African Development Fund, received on April 11, 2005; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1792. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a draft bill to reauthorize United States participation in and appropriations for the U.S. contribution to, the fourteenth replenishment of the resources of the International Development Association, received on April 11, 2005; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1793. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a draft bill "To expand the list of statutes contained in the original HIPC debt reduction legislation to include the Lend-Lease Act of 1941"; received on April 11, 2005; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1794. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a draft bill to reauthorize United States participation in and appropriations for the U.S. contribution to, the eighth replenishment of the resources of the Asian Development Fund, received on April 11, 2005; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1795. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the web site address of reports entitled "Supporting Democracy and Human Rights: The U.S. Record 2004-2005" and "Country Reports on Human Rights Practices" prepared

by the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1796. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1797. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Update on Progress Toward Regional Nuclear Nonproliferation in South Asia"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1798. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Overseas Surplus Property"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1799. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures for Abatement of Highway Traffic Noise and Construction Noise" (RIN2125-AF03) received on April 12, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1800. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operations (Including 4 Regulations): [CGD01-04-129], [CGD01-04-127], [CGD01-04-047], [CGD01-04-143]" (RIN1625-AA09) received on April 12, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1801. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operations (Including 4 Regulations): [CGD01-05-019], [CGD08-05-017], [CGD01-05-023], [CGD08-05-018]" (RIN1625-AA09) received on April 12, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1802. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones (Including 3 Regulations): [CGD05-05-007], [CGD05-05-021], [COTP Jacksonville 05-033]" (RIN1625-AA00) received on April 12, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1803. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones (Including 2 Regulations): [CGD01-05-011], [COTP San Francisco Bay 05-003]" (RIN1625-AA00) received on April 12, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1804. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Terms Imposed by States on Numbering of Vessels; Electronic Submission, [USCG-2003-15708]" (RIN1625-AA75) received on April 12, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1805. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Cape Fear River, Eagle Island, North Carolina State Port Authority Terminal, Wilmington,

NC, [CGD05-05-018]" (RIN1625-AA87) received on April 12, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1806. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule for FMVSS No. 138, Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems" (RIN2127-AJ23) received on April 12, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1807. A communication from the Senior Attorney, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicability of the Hazardous Regulations to Loading, Unloading, and Storage" (RIN2137-AC68) received on April 12, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1808. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Closing Pollock in Statistical Area 620 of the Gulf of Alaska" (I.D. No. 031805A) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1809. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Tilefish Fishery; Quota Harvested for Part-time Category" (I.D. No. 030905G) received on April 13, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1810. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Congressional Justification Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2006"; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

#### 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. BURNS:

S. 823. A bill to provide for the establishment of summer health career introductory programs for middle and high school students; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 824. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit to primary health providers who establish practices in health professional shortage areas; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CORZINE (for himself and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 825. A bill to establish the Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 826. A bill to provide that the conveyance of the former radar bomb scoring site to the city of Conrad, Montana, is not subject to reversion; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 827. A bill to prohibit products that contain dry ultra-filtered milk products, milk protein concentrate, or casein from being labeled as domestic natural cheese, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. SPENCER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 828. A bill to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. ALLARD):

S. 829. A bill to allow media coverage of court proceedings; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 830. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to insert a new definition relating to oil and gas exploration and production; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 831. A bill to provide for the establishment of a Health Workforce Advisory Commission to review Federal health workforce policies and make recommendations on improving those policies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. SMITH, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. PRYOR):

S. 832. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide taxpayer protection and assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 833. A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to authorize the Secretary of Labor to provide for 5-year pilot projects to establish a system of industry-validated national certifications of skills in high-technology industries and a cross-disciplinary national certification of skills in homeland security technology; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 834. A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to provide for integrated workforce training programs for adults with limited English proficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CRAIG (for himself and Mr. BURNS):

S. 835. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a nonrefundable tax credit for elder care expenses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 836. A bill to require accurate fuel economy testing procedures; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 837. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to clarify the definition of the term "underground injection"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 44

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 44, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase the amount of the military death gratuity from \$12,000 to \$100,000.

S. 58

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Arkansas