

on D.C. Act 16-74, “Rental Housing Act Extension Amendment Act of 2005”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2530. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-85, “Local, Small, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Certification Temporary Amendment Act of 2005”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2531. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-84, “Victims of Domestic Violence Fund Establishment Temporary Act of 2005”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2532. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-89, “Rental Housing Conversion and Sale Amendment Act of 2005”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2533. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, the report of a draft bill entitled “National Offshore Aquaculture Act of 2005” received on June 7, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2534. A communication from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Requirements for Reporting the Kimberley Process Certificate Number for Exports (Reexports) of Rough Diamonds” (RIN0607-AA44) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2535. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Deep-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska” (I.D. No. 050305C) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2536. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Magnuson Act Provisions; Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Groundfish Fishery Management Measures” (RIN0648-AT38) (I.D. No. 043605G) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2537. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Monkfish Fishery; Amendment 2” (RIN0648-AQ25) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2538. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Monkfish Fishery; Annual Adjustments” (RIN0648-AS72) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2539. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory

Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Electronic Dealer Reporting Final Rule” (RIN0648-AS87) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2540. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Annual Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments; Pacific Halibut Fisheries” (I.D. No. 042505C) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2541. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; West Coast Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Action #1—Adjustment of the Commercial Fisheries from the Cape Falcon, Oregon, to the Oregon—California Border” (I.D. No. 050405D) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2542. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder; 2005 Specifications; Commercial Summer Flounder Quota Transfer from North Carolina to Virginia” (I.D. No. 030305D) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2543. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder; 2004 Specifications; Closure of the North Carolina Summer Flounder Commercial Fishery” (I.D. No. 122204F) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2544. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Reallocating Pacific Cod from Vessels Using Jig Gear to Catcher Vessels Less than 60 Feet (18.3 Meters) Length Overall Using Pot or Hook-and-Line Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” (I.D. No. 051105C) received on June 3, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. COCHRAN, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled “Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals” (Rept. No. 109-77).

By Mr. CRAIG, from the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:

Special Report entitled “Legislative and Oversight Activities During the 108th Congress by the Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs” (Rept. No. 109-79).

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

S. 10. An original bill to enhance the energy security of the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-121).

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

H.R. 483. A bill to designate a United States courthouse in Brownsville, Texas, as the “Reynaldo G. Garza and Filemon B. Vela United States Courthouse”.

S. 1140. A bill to designate the State Route 1 Bridge in the State of Delaware as the “Senator William V. Roth, Jr. Bridge”.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

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

*Brian D. Montgomery, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

*Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

*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. DOMENICI:

S. 10. An original bill to enhance the energy security of the United States, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1206. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4960 West Washington Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the “Ray Charles Post Office Building” to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1207. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 30777 Rancho California Road in Temecula, California, as the “Dalip Singh Saund Post Office Building”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 1208. A bill to provide for local control for the siting of windmills; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. GREGG:

S. 1209. A bill to establish and strengthen postsecondary programs and courses in the subjects of traditional American history, free institutions, and Western civilization, available to students preparing to teach these subjects, and to other students; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. OBAMA, and Mr. COLEMAN):

S. 1210. A bill to enhance the national security of the United States by providing for the research, development, demonstration, administrative support, and market mechanisms for widespread deployment and commercialization of biobased fuels and biobased

products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 1211. A bill to establish an Office of Foreign Science and Technology Assessment to enable the United States to effectively analyze trends in foreign science and technology, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 1212. A bill to require the Commandant of the Coast Guard to convey the Coast Guard Cutter *Mackinaw*, upon its scheduled decommissioning, to the City and County of Cheboygan, Michigan, to use for purposes of a museum; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. SMITH):

S. 1213. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a refundable credit against income tax for the purchase of a principal residence by a first-time home-buyer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. REID, Mr. WARNER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CHAFEE, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 1214. A bill to require equitable coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs and devices, and contraceptive services under health plans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. GREGG (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. CORZINE, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. REED, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. INOUE, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 1215. A bill to authorize the acquisition of interests in underdeveloped coastal areas in order better to ensure their protection from development; to the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation.

By Mr. CORZINE:

S. 1216. A bill to require financial institutions and financial service providers to notify customers of the unauthorized use of personal financial information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. JOHNSON, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. KERRY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. SALAZAR, and Mr. SARBANES):

S. 1217. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to phase out the 24-month waiting period for disabled individuals to become eligible for medicare benefits, to eliminate the waiting period for individuals with life-threatening conditions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 1218. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, the Higher Education Act of 1965, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve recruitment, preparation, distribution, and retention of public elementary and secondary school teachers and principals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 1219. A bill to authorize certain tribes in the State of Montana to enter into a lease or other temporary conveyance of water rights to meet the water needs of the Dry Prairie Rural Water Association, Inc; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 1220. A bill to assist law enforcement in their efforts to recover missing children and to strengthen the standards for State sex offender registration programs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DAYTON (for himself and Mr. KERRY):

S. 1221. A bill to amend chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code, to create a presumption that a disability or death of a Federal employee in fire protection activities caused by any of certain diseases is the result of the performance of such employee's duty; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself, Mr. INOUE, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 1222. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reinstate the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund tax and to maintain a balance of \$3 billion in the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD:

S. 1223. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the quality and efficiency of health care delivery through improvements in health care information technology, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 1224. A bill to protect the oceans, and for other purposes to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. VITTER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BURNS, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BAYH, and Mr. LIBERMAN):

S. Res. 165. A resolution congratulating the Small Business Development Centers of the Small Business Administration on their 25 years of service to America's small business owners and entrepreneurs; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. LOTT:

S. Res. 166. A resolution to authorize the printing of a collection of the rules of the committees of the Senate; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. McCAIN (for himself and Mr. SUNUNU):

S. Res. 167. A resolution recognizing the importance of sun safety, and for other purposes; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HAGEL (for himself and Mr. MARTINEZ):

S. Con. Res. 41. Concurrent resolution recognizing the sacrifices being made by the families of members of the Armed Forces and supporting the designation of a week as National Military Families Week; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 169

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 169, a bill to amend the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 to identify a route that passes through the States of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Kansas as a high-priority corridor on the National Highway System.

S. 195

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 195, a bill to provide for full voting representation in Congress for the citizens of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 211

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 211, a bill to facilitate nationwide availability of 2-1-1 telephone service for information and referral on human services, volunteer services, and for other purposes.

S. 241

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 241, a bill to amend section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934 to provide that funds received as universal service contributions and the universal service support programs established pursuant to that section are not subject to certain provisions of title 31, United States Code, commonly known as the Antideficiency Act.

S. 432

At the request of Mr. ALLEN, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 432, a bill to establish a digital and wireless network technology program, and for other purposes.

S. 438

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 438, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 441

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 441, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the classification of a motorsports entertainment complex.

S. 471

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 471, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research.

S. 484

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 484, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Federal civilian and military retirees to pay health insurance premiums on a pretax basis and to allow a deduction for TRICARE supplemental premiums.

S. 537

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 537, a bill to increase the number of well-trained mental health service professionals (including those based