

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 3:10 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4636. An act to enact the technical and conforming amendments necessary to implement the Federal Deposit Insurance Reform Act of 2005, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

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-5604. A communication from the Executive Director, National Capital Planning Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Fiscal Year 2005 Competitive Sourcing Report and planned competitions for Fiscal Year 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5605. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Audit of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8B for Fiscal Years 2003 Through 2005, as of March 31, 2005"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5606. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-250, "Washington Convention Center Authority Advisory Committee Continuity Second Temporary Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5607. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-251, "New Columbia Community Land Trust 22nd and Channing Streets, N.E. Tax Exemption Temporary Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5608. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-252, "Tenant Evictions Temporary Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5609. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-253, "DC-USA Economic Development Temporary Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5610. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-264, "Library Enhancement, Assessment, and Development Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5611. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-265, "Domestic Partnership Equality Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5612. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Colum-

bia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-266, "Terrorism Prevention in Hazardous Materials Transportation Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5613. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-267, "Nuisance Abatement Reform Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5614. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-268, "Health Care Benefits Expansion Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5615. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-269, "Office of Administrative Hearings Term Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5616. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-270, "Parkside Terrace Economic Development Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5617. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-271, "Motor Vehicle Definition Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device Exemption Temporary Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5618. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-272, "Contracting and Procurement Reform Task Force Establishment Temporary Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5619. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-273, "Uniform Mediation Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5620. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-274, "Low-Emissions Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption Temporary Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5621. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-275, "Office of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Affairs Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5622. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 16-276, "Department of Health Functions Clarification Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5623. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (International Security Policy), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Cooperative Threat Reduction Annual Report to Congress Fiscal Year 2007"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5624. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, a report relative to H.R. 1400, the "Se-

curing Aircraft Cockpits Against Lasers Act of 2006"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5625. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to HUD Acquisition Regulation (HUDAR)" ((RIN2535-AA27) (FR-5010-F-01)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5626. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Office of Disability and Income Security Programs, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Work Activity of Persons Working as Members of Advisory Committees Established Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act" (RIN0960-AG07) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5627. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Escrow Funds and Other Similar Funds" ((RIN1545-AR82) (TD9249)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5628. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Announcement of Rules Adopting a Reasonable Cause Standard for Section 1503(d) Filings" (Notice 2006-13) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5629. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Coordinated Issue: Redemption Bogus Optional Basis Tax Shelter" (UIL NO: 9300.42-00) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5630. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residence Rules Involving U.S. Possessions" ((RIN1545-BC86) (TD9248)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5631. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure: Renewal Community Depreciation Provisions" (Rev. Proc. 2006-16) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5632. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tentative Recomputed Differential Earnings Rate for 2004 under section 809" (Notice 2006-18) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5633. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Safe Harbor Date for Charitable Remainder Trusts in the Case of Spousal Election Rights" (Notice 2006-15) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5634. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

“Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Requirements for Long Term Care Facilities; Nursing Services; Posting of Nurse Staffing Information” (RIN0938-AM55) received on February 8, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5635. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency’s proposed fiscal year 2007 budget; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5636. 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 “Boscalid; Pesticide Tolerance” (FRL No. 7757-9) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5637. A communication from the Executive Director, Commodities Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “17 CFR Parts 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40, Technical and Clarifying Amendments to Rules for Exempt Markets, Derivatives Transaction Execution Facilities and Designated Contract Markets, and Procedural Changes for Derivatives Clearing Organization Registration Applications” (RIN3038-AC23) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5638. A communication from the Executive Director, Commodities Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “17 CFR Part 30, Foreign Futures and Options Transactions (70 FR 75934, December 22, 2005)” received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5639. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Black Stem Rust; Movement Restrictions and Addition of Rust-Restrain Varieties” (Doc. No. 04-003-2) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5640. A communication from the Chief, Regulatory Review Group, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Cottonseed Payment Program” (RIN0560-AH29) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5641. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida; Increased Assessment Rate” (Docket No. FV06-905-1 IFR) received on February 8, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5642. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department’s final report on the National Emergency with respect to the suspension of the Davis-Bacon Act in response to Hurricane Katrina; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5643. A communication from the Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to budget request for the Office of Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board, for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5644. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment to Prohibited Trans-

action Exemption 84-24 (PTE 84-24) For Certain Transactions Involving Insurance Agents and Brokers, Pension Consultants, Insurance Companies, Investment Companies and Investment Company Principal Underwriters” (Exemption Application D-11069) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5645. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment to Prohibited Transaction Exemption (PTE) 75-1, Exemptions from Prohibitions Respecting Certain Classes of Transactions Involving Employee Benefit Plans and Certain Broker-Dealers, Reporting Dealers and Banks” (Exemption Application D-11184) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5646. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Veterans’ Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994” (RIN1293-AA09) received on February 7, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5647. A communication from the Legal Advisor, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Implementation of the Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act and Modernization of the Commission’s Competitive Bidding Rules and Procedures, Reports and Order” (Doc. No. 05-211) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5648. A communication from the Secretary of Communication, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Commission Reporting Requirements Under Section 8 of the Clayton Act” received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5649. A communication from the Secretary of Communication, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Notice Announcing 2006 Adjusted Thresholds for Clayton Act 7A” (RIN3084-AA91) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5650. A communication from the Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Shorter, Orrville, Selma, and Birmingham, Alabama)” (Doc. No. 04-201) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5651. A communication from the Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Ringwood, Oklahoma and Taos Pueblo, New Mexico)” (Doc. No. 04-201) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5652. A communication from the Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Randsburg, California and Mooreland, Oklahoma)” (Doc. No. 04-201) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5653. A communication from the Legal Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communica-

tions Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Lovelady, Texas and Oil City, Louisiana); Reclassification of License of FM Station KYKS, Lufkin, Texas” (Doc. No. 05-36 and 37) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5654. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Supplemental Oxygen; Direct Final Rule Withdrawal” ((RIN2120-AAI65)(2006-0002)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5655. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (61)” ((RIN2120-AA65)(2006-0004)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5656. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives: Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica SA Model EMB 120, 120ER, 120FC, 120QC, and 120RT Airplanes” ((RIN2120-AA64)(2006-0012)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5657. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives: Aerospataiale Model ATRE 42-200, ATR4-300, and ATR42-320 Airplanes” ((RIN2120-AA64)(2006-0013)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5658. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives: Airbus Model A320-111 Airplanes, and Model A320-200 Series Airplanes; Correction” ((RIN2120-AA64)(2006-0014)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5659. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives: Empressa Brasileira de Aeronautica SA Model EMB 135 Airplanes and Model EMB 145, 145ER, 145MR, 145LR, 145XR, and 145EP Airplanes” ((RIN2120-AA64)(2006-0015)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5660. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives: Raytheon Aircraft Company Model 390, Premier 1 Airplanes” ((RIN2120-AA64)(2006-0017)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5661. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives: Przedsiębiorstwo Doswiadczałno-Produkcyjne Szybowictwa Model SZD 50-3 “Puchacz” Gliders” ((RIN2120-AA64)(2006-0018)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5662. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Shadin ADC Air Data Computers" ((RIN2120-AA64) (2006-0019)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5663. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Arctic Village, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66) (2006-0003)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5664. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace, San Luis Obispo, CA" ((RIN2120-AA66) (2006-0004)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5665. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Class E Airspace; Nenana, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66) (2006-0005)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5666. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of the Norton Sound Low Offshore Airspace Area, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66) (2006-0006)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5667. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Nilolai, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66) (2006-0007)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5668. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Kennett, MO" ((RIN2120-AA66) (2006-0008)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5669. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Class E Airspace; Egegik, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66) (2006-0009)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5670. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Hillsboro, TX" ((RIN2120-AA66) (2006-0010)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5671. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Class E Airspace; Wenatchee, WA" ((RIN2120-AA66) (2006-0011)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5672. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administra-

tion, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures: Miscellaneous Amendments (2)" ((RIN2120-AA65) (2006-0005)) received on February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5673. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Department of Commerce, and the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting jointly, the 2005 Biennial Report on Atlantic Striped Bass Studies; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5674. A communication from the Acting Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a Report on the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget Estimates; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5675. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Cooperative Threat Reduction Act with respect to Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Ukraine, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5676. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Cooperative Threat Reduction Act with respect to both the Russian Federation and Uzbekistan during fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5677. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad and the export of defense articles or defense services in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Russia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5678. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, (8) reports on current vacancies in covered positions within the State Department; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5679. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Extension of Waiver of Section 907 of the FREEDOM Support Act With Respect to Assistance to the Government of Azerbaijan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5680. A communication from the Executive Secretary and Chief of Staff, U. S. Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Administrator, received February 7, 2006; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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 Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. DORGAN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CHAFEE, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 2255. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to prohibit removal of covered part D drugs from a prescription drug plan formulary during the plan year once an individual has enrolled in the plan; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 2256. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to ensure the availability to all Americans of high-quality, advanced telecommunications and broadband services, technologies, and networks at just, reasonable, and affordable rates, and to establish a permanent mechanism to guarantee specific, sufficient, and predictable support for the preservation and advancement of universal service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Ms. LAN-DRIEU, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 2257. A bill to provide for an enhanced refundable credit for families who resided in the Hurricane Katrina disaster area on August 28, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. 2258. A bill to amend the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933 to increase the membership of the Board of Directors and require that each State in the service area of the Tennessee Valley Authority be represented by at least 1 member; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. OBAMA:

S. 2259. A bill to establish an Office of Public Integrity in the Congress and a Congressional Ethics Enforcement Commission; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. 2260. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to make improvements to payments to Medicare Advantage plans and to reinstate protections in the Medicaid program for working families, their children, and the disabled against excessive out-of-pocket costs, inadequate benefits, and health care coverage loss; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. OBAMA:

S. 2261. A bill to provide transparency and integrity in the earmark process; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BYRD (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. Res. 370. A resolution honoring the sacrifice and courage of the 16 coal miners killed in various mine disasters in West Virginia, and recognizing the rescue crews for their outstanding efforts in the aftermath of the tragedies; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FRIST:

S. Con. Res. 80. A concurrent resolution relating to the enrollment of S. 1932; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 267

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 267, a bill to reauthorize the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, and for other purposes.

S. 843

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 843, a bill to amend the Public