

"Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Amendment" ((RIN1625-AA36)(USCG 2001-10881)) received on January 29, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-565. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fundamental Properties of Asphalts and Modified Asphalts—II"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-566. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting two documents issued by the Agency relative to its regulatory programs; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-567. 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; Virginia; Emission Standards for Consumer Products in the Northern Virginia Volatile Organic Compound Emissions Control Area" (FRL No. 8273-9) received on January 26, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-568. 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; Michigan; Control of Gasoline Volatility" (FRL No. 8274-4) received on January 26, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-569. A communication from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Secretary of the Treasury's actions directed at correcting the effects of a clerical error by the Social Security Administration; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-570. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Conditional Release Period and CBP Bond Obligations for Food, Drugs, Devices and Cosmetics" (RIN1505-AB57) received on January 29, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-571. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Policy with Respect to Libya and Venezuela" (22 CFR Part 126) received on January 26, 2007; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-572. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Head Start Monitoring for Fiscal Year 2005"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-573. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Immunology and Microbiology Devices; Classification of Quality Control Material for Cystic Fibrosis Nucleic Acid Assays" (Docket No. 2006N-0517) received on January 26, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-574. A communication from the Deputy Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Equal Employment Opportunity

Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's competitive sourcing efforts during fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-575. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Federal participation in the development and use of voluntary consensus standards during fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-576. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Director of National Intelligence, received on January 26, 2007; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CONRAD, from the Committee on the Budget, without amendment:

S. Res. 52. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. KENNEDY, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, without amendment:

S. Res. 54. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, without amendment:

S. Res. 55. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. DODD, from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, without amendment:

S. Res. 56. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. HARKIN, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, without amendment:

S. Res. 57. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. INOUE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. Res. 58. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. Res. 59. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. Res. 60. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, from the Committee on Rules and Administration, without amendment:

S. Res. 63. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BAUCUS for the Committee on Finance.

Michael J. Astrue, of Massachusetts, to be Commissioner of Social Security for a term expiring January 19, 2013.

*Irving A. Williamson, of New York, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for the term expiring June 16, 2014.

*Dean A. Pinkert, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for the term expiring December 16, 2015.

*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. REID (for himself, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. BIDEN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SALAZAR, and Mr. BROWN):

S. 439. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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

S. 440. A bill to designate the National Museum of Wildlife Art, located at 2820 Rungius Road, Jackson, Wyoming, as the "National Museum of Wildlife Art of the United States"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 441. A bill to permit certain school districts in Illinois to be reconstituted for purposes of determining assistance under the Impact Aid program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SMITH, Mr. KERRY, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 442. A bill to provide for loan repayment for prosecutors and public defenders; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SALAZAR (for himself and Mr. ALLARD):

S. 443. A bill to establish the Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SALAZAR:

S. 444. A bill to establish the South Park National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 445. A bill to establish the position of Trade Enforcement Officer and a Trade Enforcement Division in the Office of the United States Trade Representative, to require identification of trade enforcement priorities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 446. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize capitation grants to

increase the number of nursing faculty and students, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 447. A bill to abolish the death penalty under Federal law; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 448. A bill to prohibit the use of funds to continue deployment of the United States Armed Forces in Iraq beyond six months after the date of the enactment of this Act; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. SPECTER):

S. 449. A bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide standards and procedures to guide both State and local law enforcement agencies and law enforcement officers during internal investigations, interrogation of law enforcement officers, and administrative disciplinary hearings, to ensure accountability of law enforcement officers, to guarantee the due process rights of law enforcement officers, and to require States to enact law enforcement discipline, accountability, and due process laws; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. REED, Mr. WARNER, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. DODD):

S. 450. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DODD, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 451. A bill to establish a National Foreign Language Coordination Council; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 452. A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to ensure that liable entities meet environmental cleanup obligations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 453. A bill to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. 454. A bill to provide an increase in funding for Federal Pell Grants, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 in order to expand the deduction for interest paid on student loans, raise the contribution limits for Coverdell Education Savings Accounts, and make the exclusion for employer provided educational assistance permanent, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 455. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to active duty military personnel and employers who assist them, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. KYL, Mr. STEVENS, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. SALAZAR, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. KOHL, and Mr. CASEY):

S. 456. A bill to increase and enhance law enforcement resources committed to investigation and prosecution of violent gangs, to deter and punish violent gang crime, to protect law-abiding citizens and communities from violent criminals, to revise and enhance criminal penalties for violent crimes, to expand and improve gang prevention programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LOTT, and Mr. REED):

S. 457. A bill to extend the date on which the National Security Personnel System will first apply to certain defense laboratories; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Mr. THOMAS, and Mr. PRYOR):

S. 458. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the treatment of certain physician pathology services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 459. A bill to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for mastectomies, lumpectomies, and lymph node dissection for the treatment of breast cancer and coverage for secondary consultations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 460. A bill to make determinations by the United States Trade Representative under title III of the Trade Act of 1974 reviewable by the Court of International Trade and to ensure that the United States Trade Representative considers petitions to enforce United States Trade rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 461. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide an Inspector General for the judicial branch, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 462. A bill to approve the settlement of the water rights claims of the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation in Nevada, to require the Secretary of the Interior to carry out the settlement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 463. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to clarify when organizations described in section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 must register as political committees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 464. A bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to improve the requirements regarding advance directives in order to ensure that an individual's health care decisions are complied with, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 465. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act and title III of the Public Health Service Act to improve access to information about individuals' health care options and legal rights for care near the end of life, to promote advance care planning and decisionmaking so that individuals' wishes are known should they become unable to speak for themselves, to engage health care providers in disseminating information about and assisting in the preparation of advance directives, which include living wills and durable powers of attorney for health care, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Florida, and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 466. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of an end-of-life planning consultation as part of an initial preventive physical examination under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 467. 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. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. DODD, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 468. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to drug safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 469. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 470. A bill to express the sense of Congress on Iraq; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CONRAD:

S. Res. 52. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget; from the Committee on the Budget; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

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

S. Res. 53. A resolution congratulating Illinois State University as it marks its sesquicentennial; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. Res. 54. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. Res. 55. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs; from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. DODD:

S. Res. 56. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and