

57)) received on February 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-712. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Societe de Motorisations Aeronautiques SR305-230 and SR305-230-1 Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NE-36)) received on February 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-713. 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 (43)" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Amtd. No. 3193)) received on February 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-714. 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 (27)" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Amtd. No. 3194)) received on February 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-715. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Air Tractor, Inc. Models AT-502, AT-502A, AT-502B, AT-602, AT-802, and AT-802A Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-37)) received on February 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-716. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 757 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2005-NM-174)) received on February 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-717. A communication from the Secretary, Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice Announcing 2007 Adjusted Thresholds for Clayton Act 7A" ((RIN3084-AA91)) received on February 1, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-718. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Harmonization with the United Nations Recommendations, International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code, and International Civil Aviation Organization's Technical Instructions" ((RIN2137-AE16)) received on February 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-719. A communication from the Paralegal, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Procedures for Public Transportation Systems" ((RIN2132-AA89)) received on February 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-720. A communication from the Regulation Officer, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Traffic Control Devices on Federal-Aid and Other Streets and Highways; Standards" ((RIN2125-AB16)) received on February 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

Army nomination of Gen. George W. Casey, Jr. to be General.

Navy nomination of Adm. William J. Fallon to be Admiral.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. Thomas W. Travis to be Major General.

Air Force nomination of Col. David H. Cyr to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nomination of Col. Douglas J. Robb to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brigadier General Frank J. Casserino and ending with Colonel John T. Winters, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 18, 2007.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. James M. Dubik to be Lieutenant General.

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Air Force nominations beginning with Michael D. Jacobson and ending with Terrill L. Tops, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 18, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with Stuart C. Calle and ending with Edwin O. Rodriguezpagan, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 18, 2007.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER for the Select Committee on Intelligence.

\*J. Michael McConnell, of Virginia, to be Director of National Intelligence.

\*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. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. BUNNING, and Mr. BYRD):

S. 491. A bill to clarify the rules of origin for certain textile and apparel products; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. COLEMAN, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 492. A bill to promote stabilization and reconstruction efforts in Somalia, to establish a Special Envoy for Somalia to strengthen United States support to the people of Somalia in their efforts to establish a lasting peace and form a democratically elected and stable central government, and for other

purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 493. A bill to designate certain public land as wilderness and certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in the State of California, to designate the Sacramento River National Recreation Area and Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 494. A bill to endorse further enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and to facilitate the timely admission of new members to NATO, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. SPENCER, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 495. A bill to prevent and mitigate identity theft, to ensure privacy, to provide notice of security breaches, and to enhance criminal penalties, law enforcement assistance, and other protections against security breaches, fraudulent access, and misuse of personally identifiable information; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BYRD, Mr. LOTT, Mr. BROWN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BURR, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. SHELBY, and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 496. A bill to reauthorize and improve the program authorized by the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 497. A bill to repeal a prohibition on the use of certain funds for tunneling in certain areas with respect to the Los Angeles to San Fernando Valley Metro Rail project, California; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 498. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve the Medicare program for beneficiaries residing in rural areas; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 499. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow section 1031 treatment for exchanges involving certain mutual ditch, reservoir, or irrigation company stock; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SALAZAR (for himself, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. McCAIN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. REID, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 500. A bill to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of the National Museum of the American Latino to develop a plan of action for the establishment and maintenance of a National Museum of the American Latino in Washington, DC, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KYL:

S. 501. A bill to the relief of Ilko Vasilev Ivanov, Anelia Marinova Peneva, Marina Ilkova Ivanova, and Julia Ilkova Ivanova; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. McCONNELL, Mr. LOTT, Mr. KYL, Mr.

SMITH, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. VITTER, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. BURR, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BOND, Mr. ALLARD, and Mr. HAGEL):

S. 502. A bill to repeal the sunset on the reduction of capital gains rates for individuals and on the taxation of dividends of individuals at capital gains rates; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. DOLE (for herself, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BURR, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. LOTT, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. MARTINEZ):

S. 503. A bill to establish the SouthEast Crescent Authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. SMITH:

S. 504. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish long-term care trust accounts and allow a refundable tax credit for contributions to such accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. WARNER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. VITTER, Mr. SMITH, and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. 505. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the above-the-line deduction for teacher classroom supplies and to expand such deduction to include qualified professional development expenses; to the Committee on Finance.

By MR. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 506. A bill to improve efficiency in the Federal Government through the use of high-performance green buildings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 507. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for reimbursement of certified midwife services and to provide for more equitable reimbursement rates for certified nurse-midwife services; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 508. A bill to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to apply whistleblower protections available to certain executive branch employees to legislative branch employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. INOUYE (for himself, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. LOTT, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 509. A bill to provide improved aviation security, 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. LANDRIEU:

S. Res. 72. A resolution acknowledging the severity of the wetland loss occurring in Louisiana and supporting the observance of World Wetlands Day in the United States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ALLARD (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. STEVENS, Mrs. DOLE, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. VITTER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. McCONNELL, and Mr. REID):

S. Res. 73. A resolution designating February 6, 2007, as “Ronald Reagan Day”; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. Con. Res. 9. A concurrent resolution celebrating the contributions of the architectural profession during “National Architecture Week”; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 43

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 43, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to preserve and protect Social Security benefits of American workers and to help ensure greater congressional oversight of the Social Security system by requiring that both Houses of Congress approve a totalization agreement before the agreement, giving foreign workers Social Security benefits, can go into effect.

S. 55

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 55, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the individual alternative minimum tax.

S. 65

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 65, a bill to modify the age-60 standard for certain pilots and for other purposes.

S. 206

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 206, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 254

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. GRASSLEY) and the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) were added as cosponsors of S. 254, a bill to award posthumously a Congressional gold medal to Constantino Brumidi.

S. 294

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 294, a bill to reauthorize Amtrak, and for other purposes.

S. 326

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 326, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a special period of limitation when uniformed services retirement pay is reduced as result of award of disability compensation.

S. 367

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 367, a bill to amend

the Tariff Act of 1930 to prohibit the import, export, and sale of goods made with sweatshop labor, and for other purposes.

S. 380

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 380, a bill to reauthorize the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, and for other purposes.

S. 388

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 388, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a national standard in accordance with which nonresidents of a State may carry concealed firearms in the State.

S. 430

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 430, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to enhance the national defense through empowerment of the Chief of the National Guard Bureau and the enhancement of the functions of the National Guard Bureau, and for other purposes.

S. 435

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 435, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to preserve the essential air service program.

S. 439

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of 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.

S. 450

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 450, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 479

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 479, a bill to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

S. RES. 70

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 70, a resolution expressing the