

hired as a staff investigator for what was then the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. Following the completion of his graduate education in public administration at Princeton, Rick returned to the House of Representatives as staff director for a number of subcommittees. His work in the Congress and as a management consultant in the private sector helped Rick develop a sense of the importance of effective management to the oversight responsibilities of Congress.

During his work at the CMF, Rick has helped the organization mature from a small and little known nonprofit into an established and highly used resource for congressional offices. Over the past 18 years, the CMF has doubled the size of its staff and quadrupled the size of its budget. More importantly, under Rick's leadership, the CMF has greatly increased the variety of services it offers to Member offices and committees. The CMF has prepared books specifically tailored to address management issues faced by congressional staff members; it provides confidential consulting services to offices struggling with problems of organization, operations, and performance. Lastly, the CMF has also increased the variety of training programs it offers to senior congressional staff members on topics as varied as strategic planning and interoffice communications.

I thank Rick for all his years of service to Congress. During his career, he dedicated himself to improving the efficiency and productivity of Congress. Rick's commitment to supporting this legislative body is unmatched and I know that Members of Congress and their staff will suffer a great loss when he retires. Rick, you have accomplished a lot during your time with us, and we are forever appreciative. Again, thank you for all of your hard work.●

CELEBRATING ALEXANDER MCGREGOR DAO DOANE'S 1ST BIRTHDAY

● Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, it is my great privilege to pay tribute to Alexander McGregor Dao Doane as he celebrates his first birthday on February 17, 2007, with his parents, W. Allen and Christina Doane. This is the couple's first child, born at 11:44 a.m. at the Queen's Medical Center in Honolulu. At birth, Alexander was 7 pounds 9½ ounces and 20 inches long.

In addition to being happy and fulfilled parents, the Doanes are pillars in Hawaii's corporate leadership circle. Allen is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Alexander and Baldwin. Founded in 1870, it is one of the oldest and most prestigious companies operating in Hawaii, with its primary focus in real estate development, ocean cargo carriage and sugar production. Christina was born in Saigon, Vietnam, and immigrated to Hawaii as a child where she would earn her bachelor's degree from the University of Hawaii, a master's in business adminis-

tration from Hawaii Pacific University, and enter the field of corporate marketing. She is presently enjoying the full-time joys of motherhood.

To give you some sense of the depth of the Doanes' commitment to our community, 8 days after Alex's birth, on February 25, 2006, as the event co-chairs, Allen and Christina, hosted the American Heart Association's Heart Ball. With more than 1,200 guests in attendance, \$792,000 was raised for this worthy charity. They never skipped a beat. I am very proud to call Allen and Christina, and now Alex, my constituents from the great State of Hawaii.

Alexander is named for one of the founders of Alexander and Baldwin, Samuel Thomas Alexander. He was described as "outgoing and adventurous, the idea man." Who knows what the future will hold for Alexander McGregor Dao Doane. It is no happenstance that Alexander and Baldwin's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Stock Market under the symbol ALEX. Happy Birthday.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 10:04 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 434. An act to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 through July 31, 2007, and for other purposes.

At 12:29 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 187. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse and customhouse located at 515 West First Street in Duluth, Minnesota, as the "Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Customhouse".

H.R. 238. An act 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.

H.R. 365. An act to provide for a research program for remediation of closed methamphetamine production laboratories, and for other purposes.

H.R. 482. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer ownership of the American River Pump Station Project, and for other purposes.

H.R. 742. An act to amend the Antitrust Modernization Commission Act of 2002, to extend the term of the Antitrust Modernization Commission and to make a technical correction.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 187. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse and customhouse located at 515 West First Street in Duluth, Minnesota, as the "Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Customhouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 365. An act to provide for a research program for remediation of closed methamphetamine production laboratories, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 482. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer ownership of the American River Pump Station Project, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BYRD, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2007" (Rept. No. 110-4).

By Mr. LEVIN, from the Committee on Armed Services, without amendment:

S. 372. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-5).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 36. A resolution honoring women's health advocate Cynthia Boles Dailard.

S. Res. 37. A resolution designating March 26, 2007 as "National Support the Troops Day" and encouraging the people of the United States to participate in a moment of silence to reflect upon the service and sacrifice of members of the Armed Forces both at home and abroad.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with amendments:

S. 188. A bill to revise the short title of the Fannie Lou Hamer, Rosa Parks, and Coretta Scott King Voting Rights Act Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 2006.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. BIDEN for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

*John D. Negroponte, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of State.

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Norman Randy Smith, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Nora Barry Fischer, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Marcia Morales Howard, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

John Alfred Jarvey, of Iowa, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa.

Sara Elizabeth Lioi, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio.

*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. ENSIGN (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. KYL):

S. 525. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for the appointment of additional Federal circuit judges, to divide the Ninth Judicial Circuit of the United States into 2 circuits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 526. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the scope of programs of education for which accelerated payments of educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill may be used, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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

S. 527. A bill to make amendments to the Iran, North Korea, and Syria Nonproliferation Act; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 528. A bill to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act to prohibit the Secretary of Agriculture from basing minimum prices for Class I milk on the distance or transportation costs from any location that is not within a marketing area, except under certain circumstances, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 529. A bill to allow the modified bloc voting by cooperative associations of milk producers in connection with a referendum on Federal Milk Marketing Order reform; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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

S. 530. 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. McCAIN:

S. 531. A bill to repeal section 10(f) of Public Law 93-531, commonly known as the

"Bennett Freeze"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 532. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Bureau of Land Management land to Park City, Utah, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 533. A bill to amend the National Aquaculture Act of 1980 to prohibit the issuance of permits for marine aquaculture facilities until requirements for the permits are enacted into law; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. 534. A bill to bring the FBI to full strength to carry out its mission; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DODD (for himself and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 535. A bill to establish an Unsolved Crimes Section in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and an Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Investigative Office in the Civil Rights Unit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 536. A bill to amend the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 to prohibit the labeling of cloned livestock and products derived from cloned livestock as organic; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. LOTT, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 537. A bill to address ongoing small business and homeowner needs in the Gulf Coast States impacted by Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 538. A bill to reduce income tax withholding deposits to reflect a FICA payroll tax credit for certain employers located in specified portions of the GO Zone, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. LOTT, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 539. A bill to address ongoing economic injury in Gulf Coast States impacted by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita by reviving tourist travel to the region; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 540. A bill to require the Food and Drug Administration to permit the sale of baby turtles as pets so long as the seller uses proven methods to effectively treat salmonella; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 541. A bill to amend the farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to promote local and regional support for sustainable bioenergy and biobased products, to support the future of farming, forestry, and land management, to develop and support local bioenergy, biobased products, and food systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CRAIG:

S. 542. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies to address certain water shortages within the Snake, Boise, and Payette River systems in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. SUNUNU, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. Res. 76. A resolution calling on the United States Government and the international community to promptly develop, fund, and implement a comprehensive regional strategy in Africa to protect civilians, facilitate humanitarian operations, contain and reduce violence, and contribute to conditions for sustainable peace in eastern Chad, and Central African Republic, and Darfur, Sudan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 65

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK), the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) and the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) were added as cosponsors of S. 65, a bill to modify the age-60 standard for certain pilots and for other purposes.

S. 93

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 93, a bill to authorize NTIA to borrow against anticipated receipts of the Digital Television and Public Safety Fund to initiate migration to a national IP-enabled emergency network capable of receiving and responding to all citizen activated emergency communications.

S. 368

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of S. 368, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to enhance the COPS ON THE BEAT grant program, and for other purposes.

S. 388

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS) 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. BOND, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG) 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. 431

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr.