

year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

H.R. 2771. An act making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2359. An act to reauthorize programs to assist small business concerns, and for other purposes.

#### 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-2339. 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 "Importation of Fruit from Thailand" ((RIN0579-AC10)(Docket No. APHIS-2006-0040)) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2340. 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 "Pine Shoot Beetle; Addition of Cumberland County, New Jersey, to the List of Quarantined Areas" (Docket No. APHIS-2007-0067) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2341. A communication from the Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Bank Secrecy Act Regulations Regarding Casino Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements" (RIN1506-AA29) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2342. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones (including 6 regulations beginning with CGD01-07-002)" (RIN1625-AA00) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2343. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones (including 6 regulations beginning with CGD01-07-043)" (RIN1625-AA00) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2344. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operations (including 5 regulations beginning with CGD01-07-058)" (RIN1625-AA09) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2345. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations (including 2 regulations beginning

with CGD05-07-017)" (RIN1625-AA08) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2346. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anchorage Regulations; Port of New York and Vicinity" ((RIN1625-AA01)(CGD01-06-023)) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2347. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones (including 8 regulations beginning with CGD09-07-039)" (RIN1625-AA00) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2348. A communication from the Chief of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones (including 8 regulations beginning with CGD09-07-042)" (RIN1625-AA00) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2349. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicability of Federal Power Act Section 215 to Qualifying Small Power Production and Cogeneration Facilities" (Docket No. RM07-11-000) received on June 20, 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2350. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application of Section 6404(g) of the Internal Revenue Code Suspension Provisions" ((RIN1545-BG64)(TD 9333)) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2351. 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 "Haitian Hemisphere Opportunity Through Partnership Encouragement Act of 2006" (RIN1505-AB82) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2352. A communication from the Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Semiannual Report relative to its activities and accomplishments during the period of October 1, 2006, through March 31, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2353. A communication from the Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy Division, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Locality Pay Areas" (RIN3206-AL27) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2354. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Department's Inspector General for the period of October 1, 2006, through March 31, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2355. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a change in previously submitted reported information for the position of Administrator for the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, received on June 21, 2007;

to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2356. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's review of legislation entitled "Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2357. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, the report of a draft bill entitled "Veterans' Authorities Expansion Act of 2007"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2358. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, Office of Information and Technology, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Data Breaches" (RIN2900-AM63) received on June 21, 2007; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

Report to accompany 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 (Rept. No. 110-88).

#### 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 Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 1682. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to improve the management of medical care for members of the Armed Forces, to improve the speed and efficiency of the physical disability evaluation system of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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

S. 1683. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from the harbor maintenance tax certain commercial cargo loaded or unloaded at United States ports in the Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway System; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 1684. A bill to establish the Return of Talent Program to allow aliens who are legally present in the United States to return temporarily to the country of citizenship of the alien if that country is engaged in post-conflict or natural disaster reconstruction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. DOLE (for herself, Mr. BURR, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 249. A resolution honoring the life of Ruth Bell Graham; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. McCAIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LUGAR, Mrs. LINCOLN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mrs. DOLE):

S. Res. 250. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate condemning the military junta in Burma for its continued detention of Aung San Suu Kyi and other political prisoners; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DODD, Mr. McCAIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. ISAKSON, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. BURR):

S. Res. 251. A resolution honoring the firefighters and other public servants who responded to the fire in Charleston, South Carolina, on June 18, 2007; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BOND (for himself and Mr. INOUE):

S. Res. 252. A resolution recognizing the increasingly mutually beneficial relationship between the United States of America and the Republic of Indonesia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. OBAMA, and Mr. LUGAR):

S. Con. Res. 40. A concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of observing the National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness on January 11 of each year to raise awareness of and opposition to human trafficking; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

s. 41

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 41, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives to improve America's research competitiveness, and for other purposes.

s. 156

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 156, a bill to make the moratorium on Internet access taxes and multiple and discriminatory taxes on electronic commerce permanent.

s. 185

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 185, a bill to restore habeas corpus for those detained by the United States.

s. 206

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) 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. 432

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 432, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage for kidney disease education services under the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

s. 439

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAU-

CUS) 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. 777

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 777, a bill to repeal the imposition of withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities.

s. 838

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 838, a bill to authorize funding for eligible joint ventures between United States and Israeli businesses and academic persons, to establish the International Energy Advisory Board, and for other purposes.

s. 912

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 912, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the incentives for the construction and renovation of public schools.

s. 940

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 940, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the subpart F exemption for active financing income.

s. 1060

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR), the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1060, a bill to reauthorize the grant program for reentry of offenders into the community in the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, to improve reentry planning and implementation, and for other purposes.

s. 1243

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1243, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to reduce the age for receipt of military retired pay for nonregular service from 60 years of age to 55 years of age.

s. 1257

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1257, a bill to provide the District of Columbia a voting seat and the State of Utah an additional seat in the House of Representatives.

s. 1259

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from New Jersey

(Mr. MENENDEZ) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) were added as cosponsors of S. 1259, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance for developing countries to promote quality basic education and to establish the achievement of universal basic education in all developing countries as an objective of United States foreign assistance policy, and for other purposes.

s. 1267

At the request of Mr. SALAZAR, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1267, a bill to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media.

s. 1406

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1406, a bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to strengthen polar bear conservation efforts, and for other purposes.

s. 1418

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1418, a bill to provide assistance to improve the health of newborns, children, and mothers in developing countries, and for other purposes.

s. 1544

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SUNUNU) were added as cosponsors of S. 1544, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve the quality and efficiency of health care, to provide the public with information on provider and supplier performance, and to enhance the education and awareness of consumers for evaluating health care services through the development and release of reports based on Medicare enrollment, claims, survey, and assessment data.

s. 1592

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1592, a bill to reauthorize the Underground Railroad Educational and Cultural Program.

s. 1661

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. MARTINEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1661, a bill to communicate United States travel policies and improve marketing and other activities designed to increase travel in the United States from abroad.

s. 1681

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1681, a bill to provide for a paid family and medical leave insurance program, and for other purposes.