

“Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Louisiana; Approval of 8-Hour Ozone Section 110(a)(1) Maintenance Plans for the Parishes of Lafayette and Lafourche” (FRL No. 8545-2) received on March 20, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5527. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Completeness Findings for Section 110(a) State Implementation Plans for the 8-Hour Ozone NAAQS” (FRL No. 8545-6) received on March 20, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5528. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Aerosol Coatings” (RIN2060-AO86)(FRL No. 8544-2) received on March 20, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5529. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Finding of Failure to Submit State Implementation Plans Required for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone NAAQS” (FRL No. 8545-5) received on March 20, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5530. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Control of Emissions of Air Pollution from Locomotive Engines and Marine Compression-Ignition Engines Less than 30 Liters per Cylinder” (FRL No. 8545-3) received on March 20, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5531. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendments to National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Area Sources: Acrylic and Modacrylic Fibers Production, Carbon Black Production, Chemical Manufacturing: Chromium Compounds, Flexible Polyurethane Foam Production and Fabrication, Lead Acid Battery Manufacturing, and Wood Preserving” (RIN2060-AN44)(FRL No. 8547-1) received on March 25, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5532. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Rhode Island; Diesel Anti-Idling Regulation” (FRL No. 8546-9) received on March 25, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5533. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; State of Utah; Interstate Transport of Pollution and Other Revisions” (FRL No. 8546-3) received on March 25, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5534. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Determination of Nonattainment and Reclassification of the Memphis, Tennessee/Crittenden County, Arkansas 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area” (FRL No. 8547-8) received on March 25, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5535. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Procurement Under Environmental Protection Agency Financial Assistance Agreements” ((RIN2090-AA38)(FRL No. 8545-9)) received on March 25, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5536. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Determinations of Attainment of the Eight-Hour Ozone Standard for Various Ozone Nonattainment Areas in Upstate New York State” (FRL No. 8546-2) received on March 25, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5537. 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 “Issuance of Opinion and Advisory Letters and Opening of the EGTRRA Determination Letter Program for Pre-Approved Defined Contribution Plans” (Announcement 2008-23) received on March 19, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5538. 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 “Fringe Benefits Aircraft Valuation Formula” (Rev. Rul. 2008-14) received on March 19, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5539. 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 Normalization Accounting Rules to Balances of Excess Deferred Income Taxes and Accumulated Deferred Investment Tax Credits of Public Utilities Whose Assets Cease to be Public Utility Property” ((RIN1545-AY75)(TD 9387)) received on March 20, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5540. 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 “2008 Prevailing State Assumed Interest Rates” (Rev. Rul. 2008-19) received on March 20, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5541. 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 “Applicable Federal Rates—April 2008” (Rev. Rul. 2008-20) received on March 20, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5542. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of letters relative to the Treaty with the United Kingdom that was entered into on September 20, 2007, relative to Defense Trade Cooperation; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5543. A communication from the General Counsel, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Service Criminal History Checks” (RIN3045-AA44) received on March 19, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5544. 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 “Corporation for Na-

tional and Community Service Implementation of OMB Guidance on Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension” (RIN3045-AA48) received on March 19, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5545. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Updating OSHA Standards Based on National Consensus Standards” (RIN1218-AC08) received on March 25, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5546. A communication from the Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Asbestos Exposure Limit” (RIN1219-AB24) received on March 24, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5547. A communication from the General Counsel, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act” (RIN3045-AA42) received on March 19, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5548. A communication from the Secretary, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board’s annual report for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5549. A communication from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Technical Updating Amendments to Executive Branch Financial Disclosure and Standards of Ethical Conduct Regulations” (RIN3209-AA14) received on March 25, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5550. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, a legislative proposal entitled, “Federal Courts Jurisdiction and Venue Clarification Act of 2008”; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5551. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission’s recent appointment of members to the New Jersey Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5552. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission’s recent appointment of members to the Rhode Island Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5553. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission’s recent appointment of members to the Vermont Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

Report to accompany S. 1638, a bill to adjust the salaries of Federal justices and judges, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-277).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2304. A bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of

1968 to provide grants for the improved mental health treatment and services provided to offenders with mental illnesses, and for other purposes.

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. VOINOVICH:

S. 2791. A bill to address the foreclosure crisis and to revitalize neighborhoods, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. ENSIGN, and Mr. MARTINEZ):

S. 2792. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restore the deduction for the travel expenses of a taxpayer's spouse who accompanies the taxpayer on business travel; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 2793. A bill to direct the Federal Trade Commission to prescribe a rule prohibiting deceptive advertising of abortion services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 2794. A bill to protect older Americans from misleading and fraudulent marketing practices, with the goal of increasing retirement security; 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 Mr. SPECTER:

S. Res. 493. A resolution to limit consideration of amendments under a budget resolution; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. CORKER):

S. Res. 494. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the need for Iraq's neighbors and other international partners to fulfill their pledges to provide reconstruction assistance to Iraq; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. DODD, Mr. ENZI, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 495. A resolution designating April 2008 as "Financial Literacy Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BROWN, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. VOINOVICH):

S. Con. Res. 72. A concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the International Year of Sanitation; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 41

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) 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.

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 59, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to improve access to advanced practice nurses and physician assistants under the Medicaid Program.

S. 59

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 59, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to improve access to advanced practice nurses and physician assistants under the Medicaid Program.

S. 60

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 60, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide a means for continued improvement in emergency medical services for children.

S. 450

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. DEMINT) 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. 495

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) was added as a cosponsor of 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.

S. 582

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 582, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to classify automatic fire sprinkler systems as 5-year property for purposes of depreciation.

S. 678

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) were added as cosponsors of S. 678, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to ensure air passengers have access to necessary services while on a grounded air carrier and are not unnecessarily held on a grounded air carrier before or after a flight, and for other purposes.

S. 819

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 819, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes.

S. 898

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 898, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to fund breakthroughs in Alzheimer's disease research while providing more help to caregivers and increasing public education about prevention.

S. 906

At the request of Mr. OBAMA, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 906, a bill to prohibit the sale, distribution, transfer, and export of elemental mercury, and for other purposes.

S. 911

At the request of Mr. VITTER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 911, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to advance medical research and treatments into pediatric cancers, ensure patients and families have access to the current treatments and information regarding pediatric cancers, establish a population-based national childhood cancer database, and promote public awareness of pediatric cancers.

S. 937

At the request of Mr. REED, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 937, a bill to improve support and services for individuals with autism and their families.

S. 972

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 972, a bill to provide for the reduction of adolescent pregnancy, HIV rates, and other sexually transmitted diseases, and for other purposes.

S. 1003

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1003, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to emergency medical services and the quality and efficiency of care furnished in emergency departments of hospitals and critical access hospitals by establishing a bipartisan commission to examine factors that affect the effective delivery of such services, by providing for additional payments for certain physician services furnished in such emergency departments, and by establishing a Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Working Group, and for other purposes.

S. 1176

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1176, a bill to require enhanced disclosure to consumers regarding the consequences of making only minimum required payments in the repayment of credit card debt, and for other purposes.

S. 1310

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1310, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of increased payments for ground ambulance services under the Medicare program.