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MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:00 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. 1512. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for compensation to States incarcerating undocumented aliens charged with a felony or two or more misdemeanors.

H.R. 4279. An act to enhance remedies for violations of intellectual property laws, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5512. An act to reduce the costs of producing 1-cent and 5-cent coins, provide authority to the Secretary of the Treasury to perform research and development on new metallic content for circulating coins, and to require biennial reports to Congress on circulating coin production costs and possible alternative metallic content.

H.R. 5690. An act to remove the African National Congress from treatment as a terrorist organization for certain acts or events, provide relief for certain members of the African National Congress regarding admissibility, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5818. An act to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to make loans to States to acquire foreclosed housing and to make grants to States for related costs.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1512. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for compensation to States incarcerating undocumented aliens charged with a felony or two or more misdemeanors; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4279. An act to enhance remedies for violations of intellectual property laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. 3001. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-335).

S. 3002. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

S. 3003. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military construction, and for other purposes.

S. 3004. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for defense activities of the Department of Energy, 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. LEVIN:

S. 3001. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 3002. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 3003. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for military construction, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 3004. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 3005. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish procedures for the timely and effective delivery of medical and mental health care to all immigration detainees in custody, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BAYH, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3006. A bill to establish procedures for the expedited consideration by Congress of certain proposals by the President to rescind amounts of budget authority; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. SPECTER, and Mr. COLEMAN):

S. 3007. A bill to hold the surviving Nazi war criminals accountable for the war crimes, genocide, and crimes against humanity they committed during World War II, by encouraging foreign governments to more efficiently prosecute and extradite wanted criminals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BOND (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. OBAMA, Mrs. DOLE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 3008. A bill to improve and enhance the mental health care benefits available to members of the Armed Forces and veterans, to enhance counseling and other benefits available to survivors of members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. HAGEL):

S. 3009. A bill to designate the Federal Bureau of Investigation building under construction in Omaha, Nebraska, as the "J. James Exon Federal Bureau of Investigation Building"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 558. A resolution designating June 10, 2008, as "National Hunger Awareness Day" and authorizing the collection of food donations during the period beginning May 12, 2008, and ending June 10, 2008, from concerned Members of Congress and staff to assist families suffering from hunger and food insecurity in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. BURR, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. SPECTER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BROWN, Mr. STEVENS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. Res. 559. A resolution designating May 15, 2008, as "National MPS Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. Res. 560. A resolution proclaiming the week of May 18 through May 24, 2008, as "National Public Works Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. WEBB):

S. Con. Res. 82. A concurrent resolution supporting the Local Radio Freedom Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 22

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 22, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a program of educational assistance for members of the Armed Forces who serve in the Armed Forces after September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

S. 211

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 211, a bill to facilitate nationwide availability of 2-1-1 telephone service for information and referral on human services, volunteer services, and for other purposes.

S. 329

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 329, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage for cardiac rehabilitation and pulmonary rehabilitation services.

S. 432

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) 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. 579

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 579, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to make grants for the development and operation of research centers regarding environmental factors that may be related to the etiology of breast cancer.

S. 1382

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1382, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of an Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Registry.

S. 1437

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WEBB) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1437, a bill to require the Secretary of the

Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the semicentennial of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to require prisons and other detention facilities holding Federal prisoners or detainees under a contract with the Federal Government to make the same information available to the public that Federal prisons and detention facilities are required to do by law.

S. 2059

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2059, a bill to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to clarify the eligibility requirements with respect to airline flight crews.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions.

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, *supra*.

S. 2130

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2130, a bill to express the sense of the Senate on the need for a comprehensive diplomatic offensive to help broker national reconciliation efforts in Iraq and lay the foundation for the eventual redeployment of United States combat forces.

S. 2141

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2141, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and extend the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome prevention and services program, and for other purposes.

S. 2279

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI) were added as cosponsors of S. 2279, a bill to combat international violence against women and girls.

S. 2369

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2369, a bill to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide that certain tax planning inventions are not patentable, and for other purposes.

S. 2465

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2465, a bill to amend title

XIX of the Social Security Act to include all public clinics for the distribution of pediatric vaccines under the Medicaid program.

S. 2504

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) and the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) were added as cosponsors of S. 2504, a bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to grant a Federal charter to the Military Officers Association of America, and for other purposes.

S. 2511

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2511, a bill to amend the grant program for law enforcement armor vests to provide for a waiver of or reduction in the matching funds requirement in the case of fiscal hardship.

S. 2519

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2519, a bill to prohibit the awarding of a contract or grant in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold unless the prospective contractor or grantee certifies in writing to the agency awarding the contract or grant that the contractor or grantee has no seriously delinquent tax debts, and for other purposes.

S. 2555

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2555, a bill to permit California and other States to effectively control greenhouse gas emissions from motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

S. 2618

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2618, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for research with respect to various forms of muscular dystrophy, including Becker, congenital, distal, Duchenne, Emery-Dreifuss Facioscapulohumeral, limb-girdle, myotonic, and oculopharyngeal muscular dystrophies.

S. 2619

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2619, a bill to protect innocent Americans from violent crime in national parks.

S. 2702

At the request of Mr. SALAZAR, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2702, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to, and increase utilization of, bone mass measurement benefits under the Medicare part B Program.

S. 2708

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin