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At 3:25 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. 2452. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to ensure that publicly owned treatment works monitor for and report sewer overflows, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4044. An act to amend title 11 of the United States Code to exempt for a limited period, from the application of the means-test presumption of abuse under chapter 7, qualifying members of reserve components of the Armed Forces and members of the National Guard who, after September 11, 2001, are called to active duty or to perform a homeland defense activity for not less than 90 days.

H.R. 5001. An act to authorize the Administrator of General Services to provide for the redevelopment of the Old Post Office Building located in the District of Columbia.

H.R. 6040. An act to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of the Army to provide reimbursement for travel expenses incurred by members of the Committee on Levee Safety.

H.R. 6109. An act to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to reauthorize the pre-disaster hazard mitigation program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6331. An act to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to extend expiring provisions under the Medicare Program, to improve beneficiary access to preventive and mental health services, to enhance low-income benefit programs, and to maintain access to care in rural areas, including pharmacy access, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6344. An act to provide emergency authority to delay or toll judicial proceedings in United States district and circuit courts, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 2. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that children in the United States should understand and appreciate the contributions of individuals from the territories of the United States and the contributions of such individuals in United States history.

H. Con. Res. 372. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Black Music Month and to honor the outstanding contributions that African-American singers and musicians have made to the United States.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 4(a) of the Commission on the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade (Public Law 110-183), and the order of the House of Jan-

uary 4, 2007, the Speaker appoints the following members on the part of the House of Representatives to the Commission on the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade:

Mr. DONALD PAYNE of Newark, New Jersey.

Mr. Howard Dodson of New York, New York.

Ms. Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

At 6:21 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 bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6327. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 379. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 4044. An act to amend title 11 of the United States Code to exempt for a limited period, from the application of the means-test presumption of abuse under Chapter 7, qualifying members of reserve components of the Armed Forces and members of the National Guard who, after September 11, 2001, are called to active duty or to perform a homeland defense activity for not less than 90 days; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5001. An act to authorize the Administrator of General Services to provide for the redevelopment of the Old Post Office Building located in the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 6109. An act to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to reauthorize the pre-disaster hazard mitigation program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6344. An act to provide emergency authority to delay or toll judicial proceedings in United States district and circuit courts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 2. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that children in the United States should understand and appreciate the contributions of individuals from the territories of the United States and the contributions of such individuals in United States history; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H. Con. Res. 372. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Black Music Month and to honor the outstanding contributions that African American singers and musicians have made to the United States; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following measure was discharged from the Committee on Home-

land Security and Governmental Affairs by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

S. 3145. A bill to designate a portion of United States Route 20A, located in Orchard Park, New York, as the "Timothy J. Russert Highway"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

H.R. 6331. An act to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to extend expiring provisions under the Medicare Program, to improve beneficiary access to preventive and mental health services, to enhance low-income benefit programs, and to maintain access to care in rural areas, including pharmacy access, and for other purposes.

S. 3186. A bill to provide funding for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

#### ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, June 24, 2008, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 188. An act 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.

S. 254. An act to award posthumously a Congressional gold medal to Constantino Brumidi.

S. 682. An act to award a congressional gold medal to Edward William Brooke III in recognition of his unprecedented and enduring service to our Nation.

S. 1692. An act to grant a Federal charter to Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated.

S. 2146. An act to authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to accept, as part of a settlement, diesel emission reduction Supplemental Environmental Projects, 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-6718. A communication from the Director, Naval Reactors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program's latest reports on environmental monitoring and ideological waste disposal, worker radiation exposure, and occupational safety and health; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6719. A communication from the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's management reports and statements on system of internal controls for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6720. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, notification of the fact that the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3285-EM in

the State of Wisconsin has exceeded the limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6721. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the discontinuation of service in an acting role for the position of Secretary, received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6722. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Review Group, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guaranteed Loans; Number of Days of Interest Paid on Loss Claims" (RIN0560-AH55) received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6723. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" (73 FR 33313) received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6724. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" (73 FR 33315) received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6725. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" (73 FR 33317) received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6726. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (73 FR 33311) received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6727. A communication from the Vice President and Controller, Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's management report for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6728. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Open and Nondiscriminatory Movement of Oil and Gas as Required by the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act" (RIN1010-AD17) received on June 19, 2008; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6729. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting a document issued by the Agency entitled, "Hazard Education Before Renovation of Target Housing; State of Colorado Authorization Application"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6730. 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 Implementation Plans; Florida; Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (FRL No. 8684-4) received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6731. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

"Exhaust Emission Standards for 2012 and Later Model Year Snowmobiles" (FRL No. 8684-6) received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6732. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Category: Gasoline Dispensing Facilities" ((RIN2060-AM74)(FRL No. 8684-8)) received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6733. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Area Source Standards for Nine Metal Fabrication and Finishing Source Categories" ((RIN2060-A027)(FRL No. 8683-3)) received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6734. A communication from the Deputy Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technology Innovation Program" (RIN0693-AB59) received on June 24, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6735. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: HI-STORM 100 Revision 5" (RIN3150-AI24) received on June 24, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6736. A communication from the Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6737. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and designation of an acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education, received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6738. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and designation of an acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary, Office of Management, received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6739. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on Federal agencies' use of the physicians' comparability allowance program; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6740. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2007, through March 31, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6741. A communication from the Secretary and Director, Postal Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and designation of an acting officer for the position of Commissioner, received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6742. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, trans-

mitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Proposed Personnel Demonstration Project; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6743. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a discontinuation of service in acting role in the position of U.S. Attorney of the District of South Carolina, received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6744. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a confirmation for the position of U.S. Attorney of the District of South Carolina, received on June 20, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6745. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prohibition of Interment or Memorialization in National Cemeteries and Certain State Cemeteries Due to Commission of Capital Crimes" (RIN2900-AM86) received on June 20, 2008; 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, without amendment:

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 (Rept. No. 110-399).

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

S. 2565. A bill to establish an awards mechanism to honor exceptional acts of bravery in the line of duty by Federal law enforcement officers.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation 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.

\*Coast Guard nomination of Jeffrey R. Platt, to be Lieutenant.

\*Coast Guard nomination of Eileen M. Lutkenhouse, to be Lieutenant Commander.

\*Coast Guard nomination of Nakeisha B. Hills, to be Lieutenant Commander.

\*Coast Guard nomination of Elizabeth A. McNamara, to be Lieutenant Commander.

\*National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration nominations beginning with Mark H. Pickett and ending with Patrick M. Sweeney III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 22, 2008.

By Mr. BIDEN for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

\*Liliana Ayalde, of Maryland, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Paraguay.