

H. Con. Res. 370. Concurrent resolution expressing support for designation of September 2008 as "Gospel Music Heritage Month" and honoring gospel music for its valuable and longstanding contributions to the culture of the United States.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 11:44 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2642. An act making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes.

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.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 3202. A bill to address record high gas prices at the pump, and for other purposes.

S. 3213. A bill to designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, to authorize certain programs and activities in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3195. An act to restore the intent and protections of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

The following concurrent resolution was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H. Con. Res. 365. Concurrent resolution honoring the life of Robert Mondavi.

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-6773. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus thuringiensis Cry2Ab2 Protein; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8369-4) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6774. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residues of Quaternary Ammonium Compounds, Didecyl Dimethyl Ammonium Carbonate and Didecyl Dimethyl Ammonium Bicarbonate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8368-1) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6775. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Teed M.

Moseley, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6776. A communication from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the financing of certain Petroleos Mexicanos Projects in Mexico by the Pemex Project Master Trust; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6777. A communication from the Director, Housing and Facilities Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Subpart N Housing Preservation Grants" (RIN0575-AC76) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6778. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Manufactured Home Installation Program" (RIN2502-AH97) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6779. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the remaining obstacles to the efficient and timely circulation of \$1 coins; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6780. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on the profitability of the credit card operations of depository institutions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6781. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Elephant Trunk Scallop Access Area Closure for General Category Scallop Vessels" (RIN0648-X152) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6782. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Closure; Coastwide 2008 Summer Period Scup Commercial Fishery" (RIN0648-X140) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6783. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska; Shallow-Water Species Fishery by Catcher Processors in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-X138) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6784. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska; Deep-Water Species Fishery by Catcher Vessels in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-X136) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6785. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment 26 to the Fishery Management Plan for Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands King and Tanner Crabs" (RIN0648-AW45) received on June 26,

2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6786. 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; Pennsylvania; Section 110(a)(1) 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Plan and 2002 Base-Year Inventory for the Columbia County Area" (FRL No. 8687-2) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6787. 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; Pennsylvania; Section 110(a)(1) 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Plan and 2002 Base-Year Inventory for the Crawford County Area" (FRL No. 8687-3) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6788. 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; Pennsylvania; Section 110(a)(1) 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Plan and 2002 Base-Year Inventory for the Somerset County Area" (FRL No. 8686-9) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6789. 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; Pennsylvania; Section 110(a)(1) 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Plan and 2002 Base-Year Inventory for the Susquehanna County Area" (FRL No. 8687-1) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6790. 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; Pennsylvania; Section 110(a)(1) 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Plan and 2002 Base-Year Inventory for the Warren County Area" (FRL No. 8685-5) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6791. 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 and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Nevada; Wintertime Oxygenated Gasoline Rule; Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program; Redesignation of Truckee Meadows to Attainment for the Carbon Monoxide Standard" (FRL No. 8555-1) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6792. 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 Implementations Plans; Washington; Vancouver Air Quality Maintenance Area Second 10-Year Carbon Monoxide Maintenance Plan" (FRL No. 8684-1) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6793. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality

Management District" (FRL No. 8565-2) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6794. 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 "Update of Optional Standard Mileage Rates" (Announcement 2008-63) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6795. 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 "Rolling Average Method of Inventory Valuation" (Revenue Procedure 2008-43) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6796. 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 "Law School Loan Repayment Assistance Programs" (Rev. Rul. 2008-34) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6797. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2008-94—2008-103); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6798. A communication from the Secretary General, Inter-Parliamentary Union, transmitting a copy of a report entitled, "Equality in Politics: A Survey of Women and Men in Parliaments"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6799. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Presidential report and certification relative to the proposed rescission of the designation of North Korea as a state sponsor of terrorism; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6800. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, weekly reports relative to post-liberation Iraq for the period of April 15, 2008, through June 15, 2008; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6801. A communication from the Deputy Director for Operations, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6802. A communication from the Chairman, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on the financial status of the railroad unemployment insurance system for fiscal year 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6803. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report covering the period of October 1, 2007, through March 31, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6804. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General for Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a summary of the Department's inventory of inherently governmental and commercial activities for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6805. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's first annual report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6806. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Board of Immigration Appeals: Composition of Board and Temporary Board Members" (RIN1125-AA57) received on June 26, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1566. A bill to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to improve that Act, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-403).

S. 2707. A bill to amend the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998 to provide for the continuing authorization of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network (Rept. No. 110-404).

H.R. 3891. A bill to amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act to increase the number of Directors on the Board of Directors of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (Rept. No. 110-405).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works:

Report to accompany H.R. 3986, a bill to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-406).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2555. A bill to permit California and other States to effectively control greenhouse gas emissions from motor vehicles, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-407).

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. BIDEN from the Committee on Foreign Relations:

[Treaty Doc. 110-14: International Convention Against Doping in Sport with one understanding, one declaration and one condition (Ex. Rept. 110-11)]

The text of the committee-recommended resolution of advice and consent to ratification is as follows:

TEXT OF RESOLUTION OF ADVICE AND CONSENT TO RATIFICATION

Resolved (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein),

Section 1. Senate Advice and Consent subject to an understanding, a declaration, and a condition.

The Senate advises and consents to the ratification of the International Convention Against Doping in Sport (the "Convention"), adopted by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization on October 19, 2005 (Treaty Doc. 110-14; EC 6772), subject to the understanding of section 2, the declaration of section 3, and the condition of section 4.

Section 2. Understanding.

The advice and consent of the Senate under section 1 is subject to the following understanding, which shall be included in the United States instrument of ratification:

It is the understanding of the United States of America that nothing in this Convention obligates the United States to provide funding to the World Anti-Doping Agency.

Section 3. Declaration.

The advice and consent of the Senate under section 1 is subject to the following declaration, which shall be included in the United States instrument of ratification:

Pursuant to Article 2(4), which defines "Athlete" for purposes of doping control as "any person who participates in sport at the international or national level as defined by each national anti-doping organization and accepted by States Parties and any additional person who participates in a sport or event at a lower level accepted by States Parties", the United States of America declares that "Athlete" for purposes of doping control means any athlete determined by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency to be subject to or to have accepted the World Anti-Doping Code.

Section 4. Condition.

The advice and consent of the Senate under section 1 is subject to the following condition:

Not later than 60 days after an amendment to either of the Annexes that was concluded in accordance with the specific amendment procedure in Article 34 enters into force for the United States, the Secretary of State shall transmit the text of the amended Annex to the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate.

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. CASEY (for himself and Mr. KOHL):

S. 3219. A bill to enhance penalties for violations of securities protections that involve targeting seniors; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BARRASSO:

S. 3220. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain acrylic fiber tow; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BARRASSO:

S. 3221. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain acrylic fiber tow; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THUNE:

S. 3222. A bill to promote the energy security of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DODD, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3223. A bill to establish a small business energy emergency disaster loan program; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. Res. 606. A resolution designating June 27, 2008, as National HIV Testing Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.