Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Coastal Pelagic Species Fisheries; Closure" (RIN0648-XX54) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7300. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch for Catcher Vessels Participating in the Rockfish Entry Level Trawl Fishery in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XX65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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. CORNYN (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mrs. McCaskill):

S. 3774. A bill to extend the deadline for Social Services Block Grant expenditures of supplemental funds appropriated following disasters occurring in 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. VOINOVICH):

S. 3775. A bill to improve prostate cancer screening and treatment, particularly in medically underserved communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 3776. A bill to provide for safe and humane policies and procedures pertaining to the arrest, detention, and processing of aliens in immigration enforcement operations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3777. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the threshold amount subject to information reporting at source, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. 3778. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands within Fort Pulaski National Monument, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. THUNE:

S. 3779. A bill to provide for comprehensive budget reform in order to increase transparency and reduce the deficit; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3780. A bill to establish a building efficiency retrofit loan credit support program, a State building revolving fund grant program, and a commercial and large building grant program; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. BURR):

S. 3781. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. McCASKILL:

S. 3782. A bill to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 to extend the authority of the Secretary of the Navy to enter into multiyear contracts for F/A—18E, F/A—18F, and EA—18G aircraft; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. Mikulski):

S. 3783. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the threshold amount subject to information reporting at source, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Kohl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Merkley, and Mrs. Murray):

S. Res. 618. A resolution designating October 2010 as "National Work and Family Month"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico:

S. Res. 619. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Senate of each new Congress is not bound by the Rules of previous Senates; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mrs. Lincoln):

S. Res. 620. A resolution designating September 12, 2010, as "National Day of Encouragement"; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. CASEY):

S. Res. 621. A resolution expressing support for designation of October 7, 2010, as "Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 260

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 260, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the taxation of income of controlled foreign corporations attributable to imported property.

S. 535

At the request of Mr. Nelson of Florida, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. Klobuchar) was added as a cosponsor of S. 535, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan by veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation, and for other purposes.

S. 654

At the request of Mr. Bunning, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 654, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care.

S. 833

At the request of Mr. Schumer, the names of the Senator from Maryland

(Ms. Mikulski), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. Casey) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. Klobuchar) were added as cosponsors of S. 833, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to permit States the option to provide Medicaid coverage for low-income individuals infected with

S. 1156

At the request of Mr. Harkin, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. Franken) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1156, a bill to amend the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users to reauthorize and improve the safe routes to school program.

S. 1183

At the request of Mr. Durbin, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. Lugar) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Kerry) were added as cosponsors of S. 1183, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes.

S. 1428

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. KAUFMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1428, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to phase out the use of mercury in the manufacture of chlorine and caustic soda, and for other purposes.

S. 1553

At the request of Mr. Grassley, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. Kohl) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1553, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the National Future Farmers of America Organization and the 85th anniversary of the founding of the National Future Farmers of America Organization.

S. 1674

At the request of Mr. Wyden, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. Burris) and the Senator from California (Mrs. Feinstein) were added as cosponsors of S. 1674, a bill to provide for an exclusion under the Supplemental Security Income program and the Medicaid program for compensation provided to individuals who participate in clinical trials for rare diseases or conditions.

S. 1834

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1834, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to ensure that all dogs and cats used by research facilities are obtained legally.

S. 2821

At the request of Mr. Brown of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. Franken) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2821, a bill to require a

review of existing trade agreements and renegotiation of existing trade agreements based on the review, to establish terms for future trade agreements, to express the sense of the Congress that the role of Congress in making trade policy should be strengthened, and for other purposes.

S. 2982

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. Lincoln) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2982, a bill to combat international violence against women and girls.

S. 3112

At the request of Ms. Klobuchar, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. Leahy) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3112, a bill to remove obstacles to legal sales of United States agricultural commodities to Cuba and to end certain travel restrictions to Cuba.

S. 3181

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3181, a bill to protect the rights of consumers to diagnose, service, maintain, and repair their motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

S. 3227

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3227, a bill to authorize the Archivist of the United States to make grants to States for the preservation and dissemination of historical records.

S. 3234

At the request of Mrs. Murray, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. Schumer) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3234, a bill to improve employment, training, and placement services furnished to veterans, especially those serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, and for other purposes.

S. 3284

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3284, a bill to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California.

S. 3304

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3304, a bill to increase the access of persons with disabilities to modern communications, and for other purposes.

S. 3339

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on beer produced domestically by certain small producers.

S. 3486

At the request of Mr. Brown of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Virginia

(Mr. WEBB) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3486, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to repeal the prohibition on collective bargaining with respect to matters and questions regarding compensation of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs other than rates of basic pay, and for other purposes.

S. 3508

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3508, a bill to strengthen the capacity of the United States to lead the international community in reversing renewable natural resource degradation trends around the world that threaten to undermine global prosperity and security and eliminate the diversity of life on Earth, and for other purposes.

S. 3528

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3528, a bill to promote coastal jobs creation, promote sustainable fisheries and fishing communities, revitalize waterfronts, and for other purposes.

S. 3540

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3540, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program, and for other purposes.

S. 3641

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUYE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3641, a bill to create the National Endowment for the Oceans to promote the protection and conservation of United States ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystems, and for other purposes.

S. 3657

At the request of Mr. Wyden, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. Murray) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3657, a bill to establish as a standing order of the Senate that a Senator publicly disclose a notice of intent to objecting to any measure or matter.

S. 3661

At the request of Mr. Lautenberg, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. Whitehouse) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3661, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to ensure the safe and proper use of dispersants in the event of an oil spill or release of hazardous substances, and for other purposes.

S. 3708

At the request of Mr. Schumer, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. Hagan) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3708, a bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to clarify the application of EHR payment incentives in cases of multicampus hospitals.

S. 3748

At the request of Mr. Wyden, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Kerry) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. Sanders) were added as cosponsors of S. 3748, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the retention of members of the reserve components on active duty for a period of 45 days following an extended deployment in contingency operations of homeland defense missions to support their reintegration into civilian life, and for other purposes.

S. 3752

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUYE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3752, a bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to streamline Indian energy development, to enhance programs to support Indian energy development and efficiency, to make technical corrections, and for other purposes.

S. 3772

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3772, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 3773

At the request of Mr. Bennett, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3773, a bill to permanently extend the 2001 and 2003 tax relief provisions and to provide permanent AMT relief and estate tax relief, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. RISCH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3773, supra.

At the request of Mr. Shelby, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3773, supra.

S. CON. RES. 39

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 39, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that stable and affordable housing is an essential component of an effective strategy for the prevention, treatment, and care of human immunodeficiency virus, and that the United States should make a commitment to providing adequate funding for the development of housing as a response to the acquired immunodeficiency syndrome pandemic.

S. CON. RES. 63

At the request of Mr. Johnson, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Wyden) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 63, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Taiwan should be accorded observer status in the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

S. CON. RES. 71

At the request of Mr. Feingold, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Menendez) and the Senator from

Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 71, a concurrent resolution recognizing the United States national interest in helping to prevent and mitigate acts of genocide and other mass atrocities against civilians, and supporting and encouraging efforts to develop a whole of government approach to prevent and mitigate such acts.

S. RES. 607

At the request of Mr. Dorgan, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. Warner) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 607, a resolution recognizing the month of October 2010 as "National Principals Month".

AMENDMENT NO. 4596

At the request of Mr. Johanns, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. Bennett) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. Alexander) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4596 proposed to H.R. 5297, an act to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4608

At the request of Mr. Begich, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. Stabenow) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4608 intended to be proposed to H.R. 5297, an act to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mrs. McCaskill, her name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4608 intended to be proposed to H.R. 5297, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 4609

At the request of Mr. Udall of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. Whitehouse) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4609 intended to be proposed to H.R. 5297, an act to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3780. A bill to establish a building efficiency retrofit loan credit support program, a State building revolving

fund grant program, and a commercial and large building grant program; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President. I rise today to join with my colleague and fellow member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, Senator MARY LANDRIEU of Louisiana, to introduce the Recovery Through Building Renovation Act of 2010.

There is enormous potential to reduce our nation's energy consumption and create jobs by investing in energy efficiency, especially through renovating existing buildings.

According to the Energy Information Administration, buildings account for more than 48 percent of total energy consumption in the United States. That is more than transportation sector and more than the industrial sector. More than 70 percent of the commercial buildings in this country are older than 20 years and these buildings are significantly less efficient than buildings built today. Improvements to these types of buildings can improve efficiency by 20 to 40 percent using widely available technologies and the payback period can be as little 5 years.

These investments in building efficiency pay for themselves and then some.

Most importantly, Senator Landrieu and I view this legislation as part of our broader effort here to create jobs and contribute to our economic recovery.

Updating buildings with modern energy efficiency technologies not only saves money on energy costs, it also creates jobs. Jobs in the construction industry. Jobs in the manufacturing industry. Jobs in the retail sector of the economy. These jobs can't be outsourced and they are jobs that can serve as an important part of our clean, alternative energy economy.

Yet despite all this potential, there is actually very little of this energy efficient renovation taking place because of financial barriers. Most commercial buildings are leased and investments in energy efficiency by building owners are uncertain because the tenant, not the owner, will capture the energy savings. This is often referred to as a "split incentive." Likewise, lenders typically will not accept projected energy savings—even if guaranteed by an energy services company—as sufficient collateral to finance a building renovation

Our legislation would use the DOE loan guarantee program to help unlock private capital and encourage investment in building retrofit projects and programs.

The Recovery Through Building Renovation Act expands the existing DOE loan guarantee program to cover buildings in the commercial and industrial sectors, in schools and universities, and hospitals so that they can be renovated to be more energy efficient.

Our legislation also establishes a competitive grant program within DOE

to allow states to capitalize revolving loan funds to renovate municipal buildings. This program is modeled after the highly successful Texas LoanSTAR program. Finally, it also establishes a DOE grant program to capitalize loan loss reserve funds for tax-district financing programs, such as property assessed clean energy, or "PACE" programs, which a number of states are utilizing.

There is so much potential that exists here and I think we need to put existing programs to work, like the loan guarantee program, to unlock private capital and reap the benefits that will come from making these buildings more energy efficient.

I encourage my colleagues to support our legislation.

Mr. President, 1 ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 3780

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Recovery Through Building Renovation Act of 2010".

SEC. 2. BUILDING EFFICIENCY RETROFIT LOAN CREDIT SUPPORT PROGRAM.

Title XVII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16511 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 1706. BUILDING RETROFIT FINANCING PRO-GRAM.

"(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

- "(1) CREDIT SUPPORT.—The term 'credit support' means a guarantee or commitment to issue a guarantee or other forms of credit enhancement to ameliorate risks for efficiency obligations.
- "(2) EFFICIENCY OBLIGATION.—The term 'efficiency obligation' means a debt or repayment obligation incurred in connection with financing a project, or a portfolio of such debt or payment obligations.
- "(3) PROJECT.—The term 'project' means the installation of efficiency or renewable energy measures in a building (or in multiple buildings on a given property) that are expected to increase the energy efficiency of the building (including fixtures) in accordance with criteria established by the Secretary.
 - "(b) ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—
- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sections 1703 and 1705, the Secretary may provide credit support under this section, in accordance with section 1702.
- "(2) INCLUSIONS.—Buildings eligible for credit support under this section include commercial, industrial, municipal, university, school, and hospital facilities that satisfy criteria established by the Secretary.
 - "(c) Guidelines.—
- "(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary shall establish guidelines for credit support provided under this section.
- "(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The guidelines established by the Secretary under this subsection shall include—
- "(A) standards for assessing the energy savings that could reasonably be expected to result from a project;
- "(B) examples of financing mechanisms (and portfolios of such financing mechanisms) that qualify as efficiency obligations;