

H.R. 2553. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the airport improvement program, 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-2595. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Carboxymethyl guar gum sodium salt and Carboxymethyl-hydroxypropyl guar; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8880-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2596. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Walter L. Sharp, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2597. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Retail Foreign Exchange Transactions" (RIN1557-AD42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2598. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, (6) reports relative to vacancies within the Department, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2599. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2010 Statement on System of Internal Controls, audited financial statements, and Report of Independent Auditors on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2600. A communication from the Chairman of the Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations Governing Fees for Services" (RIN2140-AB06) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2601. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Required Warnings for Cigarette Packages and Advertisements" (RIN0910-AG41) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2602. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard; Montana" (FRL No. 9440-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2603. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Revisions to Permits by Rule and Regulations for Control of Air Pollution by Permits for New Construction or Modification" (FRL No. 9442-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2604. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Disapproval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard; Wyoming" (FRL No. 9441-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2605. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Revisions to ARSD Chapter 74:36:09 (PSD); South Dakota" (FRL No. 9441-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2606. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard; Colorado" (FRL No. 9442-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2607. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard; Utah" (FRL No. 9442-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2608. 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—August 2011" (Rev. Rul. 2011-16) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2609. 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 "Determining the Amount of Taxes Paid for Purposes of the Foreign Tax Credit" (RIN1545-BK40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate

on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2610. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed export license for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services related to the sale of M60E4/MK 43 general purpose machine guns, accessories training and spare parts to the Colombian National Police in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2611. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to Singapore for the manufacture of accessory products, fabricated/machined components and assemblies for various U.S.-origin aircraft, vessels and military vehicles in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2612. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to the United Kingdom for the manufacture of Joint Services General Purpose Masks (M50 and M51) in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2613. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Labeling and Effectiveness Testing; Sunscreen Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use" (Docket No. FDA-1978-N-0018) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2614. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tobacco Products, Exemptions from Substantial Equivalence Requirements" (Docket No. FDA-2010-N-0646) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2615. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Fee Disclosure to Plan Fiduciaries and Participants—Applicability Dates" (RIN1210-AB08) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2616. A communication from the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Innovation and Improvement, Office of Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Promise Neighborhoods Program" (RIN1855-ZA07) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2617. A communication from the Director, Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Customs and Border Protection Officer Retirement"

(RIN3206-AL69) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2618. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's 2011 Annual Performance Plan; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. 1228. A bill to prohibit trafficking in counterfeit military goods or services.

S. 1231. A bill to reauthorize the Second Chance Act of 2007.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Christopher Droney, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

Cathy Bissoon, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Mark Raymond Hornak, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Robert David Mariani, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

Robert N. Scola, Jr., of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Clayton D. Johnson, of Oklahoma, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

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. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. KYL, Mr. WICKER, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 1395. A bill to ensure that all Americans have access to waivers from the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 1396. A bill to amend title 31 of the United States Code to require that Federal children's programs be separately displayed and analyzed in the President's budget; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. REED, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 1397. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment tax credit related to the production of electricity from offshore wind; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 1398. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to limit the number of local wage areas allowable within a General Schedule pay locality; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 1399. A bill to protect children affected by immigration enforcement actions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. VITTER, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. WICKER, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 1400. A bill to restore the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of Gulf Coast States, to create jobs and revive the economic health of communities adversely affected by the explosion on, and sinking of, the mobile offshore drilling unit Deepwater Horizon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. WYDEN, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 1401. A bill to conserve wild Pacific salmon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts:

S. 1402. A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to increase the maximum penalty for violating that Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BENNET, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. REED, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 1403. A bill to amend part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to provide full Federal funding of such part; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. ENZI):

S. 1404. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase participation in medical flexible spending arrangements; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 1405. A bill for the relief of Guy Privat Tape and Lou Nazie Raymonde Toto; 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. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. Res. 234. A resolution relative to the death of William F. Hildenbrand, former Secretary of the Senate; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. SANDERS, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Res. 235. A resolution designating 2011 as "The Year of the Family Caregiver"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. Res. 236. A resolution designating September 2011 as National Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 78

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 78, a bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to protect the health of pregnant women, fetuses, infants, and children by requiring a health advisory and drinking water standard for perchlorate.

S. 119

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 119, a bill to preserve open competition and Federal Government neutrality towards the labor relations of Federal Government contractors on Federal and federally funded construction projects.

S. 299

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 299, a bill to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that major rules of the executive branch shall have no force or effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted into law.

S. 401

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 401, a bill to help Federal prosecutors and investigators combat public corruption by strengthening and clarifying the law.

S. 539

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 539, a bill to amend the Public Health Services Act and the Social Security Act to extend health information technology assistance eligibility to behavioral health, mental health, and substance abuse professionals and facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 707

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 707, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to provide further protection for puppies.

S. 752

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 752, a bill to establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner.

S. 771

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 771, a bill to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to modify a provision relating to gaming on land acquired after October 17, 1988.

S. 807

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S.