

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:04 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1103. An act to extend the term of the incumbent Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 2:18 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 1103. An act to extend the term of the incumbent Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. INOUE).

At 3:07 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1383) to temporarily preserve higher rates of tuition and fees for programs of education at non-public institutions of higher learning pursued by individuals in the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs before the enactment of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Improvements Act of 2010, and for other purposes.

MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following bill was discharged from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and returned to the House of Representatives by unanimous consent:

H.R. 1309. An act to extend the authorization of the national flood insurance program, to achieve reforms to improve the financial integrity and stability of the program, and to increase the role of private markets in the management of flood insurance risk, and for other purposes.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 1420. A bill to require that the United States Government prioritize all obligations on the debt held by the public, Social Security benefits, and military pay in the event that the debt limit is reached, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, July 26, 2011, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1103. An act to extend the term of the incumbent Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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-2636. 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 "Chlorantraniliprole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8875-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2637. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Movement of Hass Avocados from Areas Where Mediterranean Fruit Fly or South American Fruit Fly Exist" ((RIN0579-AD34) (Docket No. APHIS-2010-0127)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2638. A communication from the Administrator, Livestock and Seed Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Beef Promotion and Research; Reapportionment" (AMS-LS-10-0086) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2639. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Grapes Grown in a Designated Area of Southeastern California; Section 610 Review" (Doc. No. AMS-FV-06-0185; FV06-925-610 Review) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2640. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Olives Grown in California; Decreased Assessment Rate" (Doc. No. AMS-FV-10-0115; FV11-932-1 FIR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2641. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marketing Order Regulating the Handling of Spearmint Oil Produced in the Far West; Revision of the Salable Quantity and Allotment Percentage for Class 3 (Native) Spearmint Oil for the 2010-2011 Marketing Year" (Doc. No. AMS-FV-09-0082; FV10-985-1A FIR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2642. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mango Promotion, Research, and Information Order; Reapportionment" (Doc. No. AMS-FV-10-0092) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2643. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Vidalia Onions Grown in Georgia; Change

in Late Payment and Interest Requirements on Past Due Assessments" (Doc. No. AMS-FV-11-0016; FV11-955-1 FIR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2644. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Raisins Produced from Grapes Grown in California; Increase in Desirable Carryout Used to Compute Trade Demand" (Doc. No. AMS-FV-11-0013; FV11-989-1 FIR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2645. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irish Potatoes Grown in Washington; Decreased Assessment Rate" (Doc. No. AMS-FV-11-0012; FV11-946-2 FIR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2646. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Watermelon Research and Promotion Plan; Redistricting and Importer Representation" (Doc. No. AMS-FV-10-0093) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2647. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nectarines and Peaches Grown in California; Suspension of Handling Requirements" (Doc. No. AMS-FV-11-0019; FV11-916/917-5 FIR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2648. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Operation and Maintenance Army accounts and was assigned Army case number 08-07; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-2649. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Department of the Air Force and was assigned Air Force case number 10-05; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-2650. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Derwood C. Curtis, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2651. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Bernard J. McCullough III, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2652. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 12947 with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East

peace process; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2653. A communication from the Under Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Act and the Department's applicable regulations with references to or requirements of reliance on credit ratings; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2654. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Amendment of Parts 73 and 74 of the Commission's Rules to Establish Rules for Digital Low Power Television, Television Translator, and Television Booster Stations and to Amend Rules for Digital Class A Television Stations, Second Report and Order" (MB Docket No. 03-185, FCC 11-110) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2655. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Television Broadcasting Services; El Paso, Texas" (MB Docket No. 11-74) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2656. A communication from the Chief of the Policy Division, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Reporting Requirements for U.S. Providers of International Telecommunications Services Amendment of Part 43 of the Commission's Rules" (IB Docket No. 04-112) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2657. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for a report entitled "Non-Binding Determination: Superfund Deficient PRP Deliverables Memo" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2658. 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 "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, and South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9279-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2659. 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 "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Placer County Air Pollution Control District and Feather River Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9439-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2660. 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 Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Fine Particle Standard

for the Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, Johnstown, Lancaster, York, and Reading Non-attainment Areas" (FRL No. 9445-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2661. 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 "Interim Final Determination to Defer Sanctions, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District, California" (FRL No. 9444-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2662. 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 "Highway Use Tax; Filing and Payment for Taxable Period Beginning July 1, 2011" (RIN1545-BK36) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2663. 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 "Modifications of Certain Derivative Contracts" (RIN1545-K14) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2664. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Direct Fee Payment Rules" (RIN0960-H21) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2665. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Substitutions for Form SSA-538" (RIN0960-AH02) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2666. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed amendment to parts 120, 122, 123, and 129 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2667. 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 technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to Sweden for the design, development, operation, . . . and sale of the Auxiliary Power and Engine Start System (APESS) for use in the JAS 39 Gripen aircraft and Next Generation Gripen aircraft in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2668. 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 technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to the Rolling Airframe Missile (RAM) Guided Missile Weapon System (GMWS) to the Armed Forces of the United Arab Emirates in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2669. 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 technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to support the Proton launch of the Turksat 4A Commercial Communication Satellites from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2670. 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 technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to support the Proton launch of the SES-6 Commercial Communication Satellite from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2671. A communication from the Manager of the BioPreferred Program, Office of Procurement and Property Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Biobased Items for Federal Procurement" (RIN0503-AA36) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2672. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Identification of Enforceable Rules and Orders" (12 CFR Chapter X) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2673. A communication from the Attorney, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alternative Mortgage Transaction Parity (Regulation D)" (RIN3170-AA04) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2674. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Premerger Notification; Reporting and Waiting Period Requirements" (RIN3084-AA91) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2675. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "2010 Status of U.S. Fisheries"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-60. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan memorializing Congress and the United States Drug Enforcement Agency to make it illegal to possess, use, or sell the drugs MDPV and Mephedrone; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 53

Whereas, MDPV (methylenedioxypyrovalerone) and mephedrone are the