

Bob's columns were a mirror that sometimes reflected our shortcomings but also our shared values—our decency, integrity and compassion for one another.

Like his thousands of loyal readers, I am grateful for Bob Kerr's contribution to our Rhode Island community, and I wish him great luck and success in whatever is to come. For years, I have enjoyed, been informed by, been moved by, and learned from Bob's columns. They have helped make Rhode Island a better State and reminded us how good a State we are and can be. I hope he finds some way to keep doing them. He will have at least one reader.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and withdrawals which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:45 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 276. An act to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the American Falls Reservoir.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3522. An act to authorize health insurance issuers to continue to offer for sale current group health insurance coverage in satisfaction of the minimum essential health insurance coverage requirement, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5057. An act to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to permit exemptions for external power supplies from certain efficiency standards, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5161. An act to promote the non-exclusive use of electronic labeling for devices licensed by the Federal Communications Commission.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 4:35 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 joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 120. Joint resolution approving the location of a memorial to commemorate the more than 5,000 slaves and free Black persons who fought for independence in the American Revolution.

The enrolled joint resolution was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

At 6:11 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 1086. An act to reauthorize and improve the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 5057. An act to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to permit exemptions for external power supplies from certain efficiency standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 5161. An act to promote the non-exclusive use of electronic labeling for devices licensed by the Federal Communications Commission; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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-6935. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Sequestration Update Report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 2015"; to the Special Committee on Aging; Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Select Committee on Ethics; Finance; Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Indian Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6936. 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 "Bovine Tuberculosis Status of Michigan; Advance Counties From Modified Accredited Advanced to Accredited-Free" (Docket No. APHIS-2014-0058) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2014; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6937. A communication from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Litchi and Longan Fruit From Vietnam Into the Continental United States" ((RIN0579-AD51) (Docket No. APHIS-2010-0116)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6938. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Margin Protection Program for Dairy and Dairy Product

Donation Program" ((RIN0560-AI23) (7 CFR Part 1430)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6939. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Saflufenacil; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9912-91) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6940. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flazasulfuron; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9915-32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6941. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sulfuric Acid; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9914-18) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6942. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trifloxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9915-46) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6943. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Kasugamycin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9911-57) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6944. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the quarterly exception Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) as of June 30, 2014 (DCN OSS 2014-1244); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6945. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 2013 Report to Congress on Department of Defense Operation and Financial Support for Military Museums; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6946. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Peter M. Vangjel, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6947. A communication from the Assistant Director, Senior Executive Management Office, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management), Department of the Air Force, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6948. A communication from the Assistant Director, Senior Executive Management Office, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Principal Deputy

Under Secretary of Defense (Policy), Department of Defense, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6949. A communication from the Assistant Director, Senior Executive Management Office, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Under Secretary of the Navy, Department of the Navy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6950. A communication from the Assistant Director, Senior Executive Management Office, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Principal Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6951. A communication from the Assistant Director, Senior Executive Management Office, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Under Secretary of the Navy, Department of the Navy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6952. A communication from the Assistant Director, Senior Executive Management Office, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Under Secretary of the Navy, Department of the Navy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6953. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency period pertaining to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, for an additional year; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6954. A communication from the Chair, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2013 Annual Report of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6955. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations" (RIN3235-AL15) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2014; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6956. A communication from the Executive Director of the Southeast Compact Commission for Low-Level Radioactive Waste Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's 2012-2013 Annual Report, including the Annual Commission Audit; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6957. A communication from the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Strategic Plan for fiscal year 2014 through fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6958. A communication from the Acting Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Environmental Issues Associated with New Reactors" (NRC-2013-0212) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6959. A communication from the Acting Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Specific Environmental Guidance for Light Water Small Modular Reactor Reviews" (NRC-2013-0211) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6960. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Texas: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9915-99-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6961. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rule on Certain Chemical Substances; Withdrawal of Significant New Use Rules" ((RIN2070-AB27) (FRL No. 9915-69)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6962. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; State of Arizona; Pinal County and Gila County; Pb" (FRL No. 9916-11-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6963. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Revision to Control Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Storage Tanks" (FRL No. 9916-32-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6964. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alaska" (FRL No. 9916-14-Region 10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6965. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri, Control of Gasoline Reid Vapor Pressure" (FRL No. 9916-10-Region 7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6966. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; New Hampshire; 111(d)/129 Revised State Plan for Large and Small Municipal Waste Combustors" (FRL No. 9915-71-Region 1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6967. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Finding of Failure to Submit a Prevention of Significant Deterioration State Implementation Plan Revision for Particulate Matter Less Than 2.5 Micrometers (PM_{2.5}); California; North Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9916-04-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6968. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California; South Coast 1-Hour and 8-Hour Ozone" (FRL No. 9915-86-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6969. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plan Revisions; State of California; South Coast VMT Emissions Offset Demonstrations" (FRL No. 9915-85-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6970. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" ((RIN2070-AB27) (FRL No. 9914-19)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6971. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oklahoma: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9915-97-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6972. 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 "Examination of returns and claims for refund, credit, or abatement; determination of tax liability" (Rev. Proc. 2014-53) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 9, 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6973. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 14-067); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6974. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 14-038); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6975. 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 2014-0113—2014-0122); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6976. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at

Joslyn Manufacturing and Supply Co. in Fort Wayne, Indiana, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6977. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2014; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6978. A communication from the Acting District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Contractor Selection and Quality Assurance for Select DDOT Road Projects"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6979. A communication from the Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Office of Inspector General's budget request for the fiscal year 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6980. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-385, "Sustainable DC Omnibus Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6981. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-386, "Board of Elections Nominating Petition Circulator Affidavit Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6982. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-387, "Party Officer Elections Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6983. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-388, "Driver's Safety Clarification Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6984. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-389, "Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System Conformity Temporary Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6985. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-415, "Tenant Bill of Rights Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6986. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-416, "Prohibition of the Harm of Police Animals Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6987. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-417, "Marriage License Issuance Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6988. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Colum-

bia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-418, "Child Development Home License Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6989. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-419, "Small and Certified Business Enterprise Development and Assistance Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6990. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-420, "Post-Arrest Process Clarification Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6991. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-421, "Other Post-Employment Benefits Fund Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6992. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-422, "Fair Criminal Record Screening Amendment Act of 2014"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6993. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Suvorexant into Schedule IV" (Docket No. DEA-381) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6994. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disposal of Controlled Substances" ((RIN1117-AB18) (Docket No. DEA-316)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2014; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6995. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Management and Administration and Designated Reporting Official, Office on National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Director of National Drug Control Policy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2014; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6996. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repair Stations" ((RIN2120-AJ61) (Docket No. FAA-2006-26408; Amdt. No. 145-30)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6997. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Departing IFR/VFR When Weather Reporting Is Not Available" ((RIN2120-AK49) (Docket No. FAA-2014-0502; Amdt. No. 135-131)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6998. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Adminis-

tration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Orders of Compliance, Cease and Desist Orders, Orders of Denial, and Other Orders" ((RIN2120-AK43) (Docket No. FAA-2014-0505; Amdt. No. 13-36)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6999. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (73); Amdt. No. 3597" ((RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7000. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (63); Amdt. No. 3598" ((RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7001. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (48); Amdt. No. 3595" ((RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7002. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (326); Amdt. No. 3596" ((RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7003. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (51); Amdt. No. 3599" ((RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7004. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (40); Amdt. No. 3601" ((RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7005. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (267); Amdt. No. 3602" (RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7006. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (63); Amdt. No. 3600" (RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 921. A bill to amend chapter 301 of title 49, United States Code, to prohibit the rental of motor vehicles that contain a defect related to motor vehicle safety, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-253).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1406. A bill to amend the Horse Protection Act to designate additional unlawful acts under the Act, strengthen penalties for violations of the Act, improve Department of Agriculture enforcement of the Act, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 113-254).

S. 1925. A bill to limit the retrieval of data from vehicle event data recorders (Rept. No. 113-255).

By Mr. CARPER, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2521. A bill to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, to provide for reform to Federal information security (Rept. No. 113-256).

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

S. 1535. A bill to deter terrorism, provide justice for victims, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted on September 11, 2014:

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Arthur Lee Bentley III, of Florida, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Florida 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. REED:

S. 2802. A bill to amend the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002 and the Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002 to strengthen research in adult education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KING:

S. 2803. A bill to remove a use restriction on land formerly a part of Acadia National Park that was transferred to the town of Tremont, Maine, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 2804. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with regard to research on asthma, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 2805. A bill to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic in Billings, Montana, as the "Bear Root Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 2806. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for dependent care savings accounts; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2807. A bill to encourage States to report to the Attorney General certain information regarding the deaths of individuals in the custody of law enforcement agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 2808. A bill to authorize health insurance issuers to continue to offer for sale current group health insurance coverage in satisfaction of the minimum essential health insurance coverage requirement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. JOHANNIS (for himself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. PAUL, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. FLAKE, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. ENZI):

S. 2809. A bill to require the Environmental Protection Agency to obtain a court order to garnish wages to pay a nontax debt; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TOOMEY:

S. 2810. A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to develop procedures to share certain information with State veterans agencies to facilitate the transition of members of the Armed Forces from military service to civilian life, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2811. A bill to prohibit the distribution in commerce of children's products and upholstered furniture containing certain flame retardants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. CRAPO, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. DONNELLY):

S. Res. 544. A resolution designating the year of 2014 as the "International Year of Family Farming"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON, Mr. REED, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. WARNER, and Ms. WARREN):

S. Res. 545. A resolution recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month and celebrating the heritage and culture of Latinos in the United States and the immense contributions of Latinos to the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 132

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) were added as cosponsors of S. 132, a bill to provide for the admission of the State of New Columbia into the Union.

S. 359

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 359, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana, and for other purposes.

S. 413

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 413, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to include human trafficking as a part 1 violent crime for purposes of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program.

S. 429

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 429, a bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products.

S. 742

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 742, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1011

At the request of Mr. JOHANNIS, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1011, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of Boys Town, and for other purposes.

S. 1040

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr.