

Senate on May 26, 2015; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1753. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Nanette M. DeRenzi, United States Navy, and her advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1754. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Steven A. Hummer, United States Marine Corps, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1755. A communication from the Acting Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Appendix F—Energy Receiving Reports" ((RIN0750-AI46) (DFARS Case 2014-D024)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 26, 2015; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1756. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Metconazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9927-11) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 27, 2015; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1757. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mesotrione; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9927-75) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 27, 2015; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1758. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, an Executive Order that terminates the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13617 of June 25, 2012, and revokes Executive Order 13617, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 27, 2015; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1759. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Home Loan Bank Community Support Program - Administrative Amendments" (RIN2590-AA38) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2015; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1760. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to North Korea that was declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1761. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans that was declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1762. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule en-

titled "Completion of Requirement to Promulgate Standards" ((RIN2060-AS42) (FRL No. 9928-25-OAR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 27, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1763. 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. 9928-17-Region 10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1764. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "State Implementation Plans: Response to Petition for Rulemaking; Restatement and Updated of EPA's SSM Policy Applicable to SIPs; Findings of Substantial Inadequacy; and SIP Calls to Amend Provisions Applying to Excess Emissions During Periods of Startup, Shutdown and Malfunction" ((RIN2060-AR68) (FRL No. 9924-05-OAR)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1765. 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; New York; Infrastructure SIP for the 2008 Lead NAAQS" (FRL No. 9928-39-Region 2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 27, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1766. 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 Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Determination of Attainment of the 2008 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the Baltimore, Maryland Moderate Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9928-42-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 27, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1767. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences: Fiscal Year (FY) 2014"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1768. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Staff Guidance Emergency Planning Exemption Requests for Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants" (NSIR/DPR-ISC-02) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 26, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1769. 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 2015-0051–2015-0058); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1770. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amend-

ment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Policy on Exports to the Republic of Fiji" (RIN1400-AD77) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 27, 2015; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1771. A communication from 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 May 22, 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1772. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Construction, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Confined Spaces in Construction" (RIN1218-AB47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1773. A communication from the Chair of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-annual Report of the Inspector General and a Management Report for the period from October 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1774. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to U.S. Marine Corps Training Exercises at Brant Island Bombing Target and Piney Island Bombing Range, USMC Cherry Point Range Complex, North Carolina" (RIN0648-BD79) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1775. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, a report of proposed legislation entitled "Tribal Equal Access to Voting Act of 2015"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-1776. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the activities of the Community Relations Service for Fiscal Year 2014; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. SHELBY, from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, without amendment:

S. 1484. An original bill to improve accountability and transparency in the United States financial regulatory system, protect access to credit for consumers, provide sensible relief to financial institutions, and for other purposes.

## 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. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. WARREN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr.

MURPHY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1473. A bill to authorize the appropriation of funds to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for conducting or supporting research on firearms safety or gun violence prevention; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Ms. WARREN):

S. 1474. A bill to provide for the development and use of technology for personalized handguns, to require that all handguns manufactured or sold in, or imported into, the United States incorporate such technology, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 1475. A bill to provide for the creation of a safe harbor for defendants in medical malpractice actions who demonstrate adherence to clinical practice guidelines; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 1476. A bill to require States to report to the Attorney General certain information regarding shooting incidents involving law enforcement officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROUNDS:

S. 1477. A bill to require a report on the future mix of aircraft platforms for the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROUNDS:

S. 1478. A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to develop a comprehensive plan to support civil authorities in response to cyber attacks by foreign powers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. ROUNDS, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 1479. A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to modify provisions relating to grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BENNET:

S. 1480. A bill to provide limits on bundling, to reform the lobbying registration process, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 1481. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to conduct a study on urban flooding, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. LEE):

S. 1482. A bill to improve and reauthorize provisions relating to the application of the antitrust laws to the award of need-based educational aid; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ALEXANDER:

S. 1483. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the James K. Polk Home in Columbia, Tennessee, as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SHELBY:

S. 1484. An original bill to improve accountability and transparency in the United States financial regulatory system, protect access to credit for consumers, provide sensible relief to financial institutions, and for other purposes; from the Committee on

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. BALDWIN:

S. 1485. A bill to provide for the advancement of energy-water efficiency research, development, and deployment activities; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. REED, Ms. WARREN, Mr. SANDERS, and Ms. BALDWIN):

S. 1486. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit to Patriot employers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 514

At the request of Mr. MURPHY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 514, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish the Promise Neighborhoods program.

S. 689

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 689, a bill to provide protections for certain sports medicine professionals who provide certain medical services in a secondary State.

S. 746

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 746, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 763

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 763, a bill to amend title XII of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize certain trauma care programs, and for other purposes.

S. 798

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the names of the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES) and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) were added as cosponsors of S. 798, a bill to provide for notice to, and input by, State insurance commissioners when requiring an insurance company to serve as a source of financial strength or when the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation places a lien against an insurance company's assets, and for other purposes.

S. 811

At the request of Mr. MURPHY, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 811, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require States to develop policies on positive school climates and school discipline.

S. 843

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of S. 843, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act

to count a period of receipt of outpatient observation services in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services under Medicare.

S. 862

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 862, 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. 897

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 897, a bill to support evidence-based social and emotional learning programming.

S. 966

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 966, a bill to extend the low-interest refinancing provisions under the Local Development Business Loan Program of the Small Business Administration.

S. 996

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 996, a bill to facilitate nationwide availability of volunteer income tax assistance for low-income and underserved populations, and for other purposes.

S. 1013

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1013, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage and payment for complex rehabilitation technology items under the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 1121

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1121, 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.

S. 1140

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. COATS), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) and the Senator from Nevada (Mr. HELLER) were added as cosponsors of S. 1140, a bill to require the Secretary of the Army and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to propose a regulation revising the definition of the term "waters of the United States", and for other purposes.