

EC-2328. 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; Low Reid Vapor Pressure Regulations" (FRL No. 9930-79-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2329. 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; Washington; Interstate Transport Requirements for the 2008 Lead and 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9930-69-Region 10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2330. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "OPEN PHASE CONDITIONS IN ELECTRIC POWER SYSTEM" (BTP 8-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2331. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "PHYSICAL SECURITY—REVIEW OF PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEM DESIGNS—STANDARD DESIGN CERTIFICATION AND OPERATING REACTOR LICENSING APPLICATIONS" (SRP 13.6.2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2332. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Strategies and Guidance to Address Loss of Large Areas of the Plant Due to Explosions and Fires" (NUREG-0800, SRP Section 19.4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2333. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Fee Schedules; Fee Recovery for Fiscal Year 2015" ((RIN3150-AJ44) (NRC-2014-0200)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2334. 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 "Transaction of Interest Notice for Basket Contacts" (Notice 2015-48) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2335. 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 "Listing Notice for Basket Option Contacts" (Notice 2015-47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2336. 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

14-133); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2337. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2014 annual report on voting practices in the United Nations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2338. A communication from the Deputy Director, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Coverage of Certain Preventive Services Under the Affordable Care Act" ((RIN0938-AS50) (CMS-9940-F)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2339. 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 "Veterinary Feed Directive; Correction" ((RIN0910-AG95) (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0155)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2340. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transfer of Offenders to Foreign Countries" (RIN1120-AB65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2341. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commutation of Sentence: Technical Change" (RIN1120-AB54) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2342. A communication from the Acting Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; Updating References" (RIN2900-AP22) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2343. A communication from the Acting Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Agency Interpretation of Prosthetic Replacement of a Joint" (RIN2900-AP38) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2344. 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 "16 CFR PART 305—ENERGY AND WATER USE FOR LABELING FOR CONSUMER PRODUCTS UNDER THE ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT ('ENERGY LABELING RULE')" (RIN3084-AA74) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2345. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary/Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, received in the Office of the

President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2346. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone—Oil Exploration Staging Area in Goodhope Bay; Kotzebue Sound, AK" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2015-0267)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2347. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; 4th of July, Biscayne Bay, Miami, FL" ((RIN1625-AA11) (Docket No. USCG-2015-0450)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-50. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana memorializing the United States Congress to eliminate the current ban on crude oil exports; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 94

Whereas, the efficient exploration, production, and transportation of oil in Louisiana prevents waste of the state's natural resources; contributes to the health, welfare, and safety of the general public; and promotes the prosperity of the state; and

Whereas, the tax revenues and economic prosperity deriving from this Louisiana energy renaissance have greatly benefitted Louisiana public schools, higher education, critical infrastructure development, and public health and safety programs; and

Whereas, improved technologies and abundant resources have made the United States of America the world's leading oil and natural gas producer, overtaking Saudi Arabia and Russia; and

Whereas, the 1970s-era federal law prohibiting crude oil exports is a relic from an era of scarcity and flawed price control policies; and

Whereas, allowing American crude oil exports will strengthen U.S. geopolitical influence by giving our trading partners a more secure source of supply, and allowing the export of American crude oil will make our allies less dependent on crude oil from Russia and the Middle East; and

Whereas, the world's other major developed nations allow crude oil exports, making the U.S. the only nation that does not take full advantage of trading a valuable resource in what is an otherwise global free market; and

Whereas, crude oil exports will benefit the U.S.'s national security interests by decreasing the likelihood that global oil supply can be used internationally as a strategic weapon; and

Whereas, numerous studies have found that allowing American crude oil into the world's free market will benefit U.S. trade and American consumers while creating more high-paying jobs for Louisianians; and

Whereas, the U.S. is the largest exporter of refined petroleum products and would benefit even more substantially from the export of both crude oil and refined petroleum products; and

Whereas, at least seven independent studies have confirmed that repealing the ban on American crude oil exports will lower U.S. gas prices, benefitting Louisiana consumers and businesses; and

Whereas, many small and large Louisiana businesses that support oil and gas development will benefit from ongoing production; and

Whereas, manufacturers will benefit from less volatility in energy costs; and

Whereas, encouraging a global marketplace that is more free from artificial barriers will economically benefit Louisiana, the rest of the U.S., and our friends around the world; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States to recognize that crude oil exports and free trade are in the national interest and take all necessary steps to eliminate the current ban on crude oil exports; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-51. A petition by a citizen from the state of Texas relative to United States paper currency; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. 546. A bill to establish the Railroad Emergency Services Preparedness, Operational Needs, and Safety Evaluation (RESPONSE) Subcommittee under the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Advisory Council to provide recommendations on emergency responder training and resources relating to hazardous materials incidents involving railroads, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-85).

S. 614. A bill to provide access to and use of information by Federal agencies in order to reduce improper payments, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-86).

By Mr. ENZI, from the Committee on the Budget, without amendment:

S. 1495. A bill to curtail the use of changes in mandatory programs affecting the Crime Victims Fund to inflate spending (Rept. No. 114-87).

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. CRUZ:

S. 1804. A bill to eliminate the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection by repealing title X of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, commonly known as the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. KING):

S. 1805. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to provide flexibility to school food authorities in establishing a price for paid school lunches; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1806. A bill to protect consumers from security and privacy threats to their motor vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DAINES (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. GARDNER):

S. 1807. A bill to require agencies to publish the categorization of certain proposed and final rules, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. HEITKAMP (for herself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 1808. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a Northern Border threat analysis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. AYOTTE (for herself, Mr. KING, and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 1809. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify the treatment of seasonal positions for purposes of the employer shared responsibility requirement; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 1810. A bill to apply the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to Congressional members and members of the executive branch; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 1811. A bill to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a program to make loans to certain businesses, homeowners, and renters affected by Superstorm Sandy; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 1812. A bill to protect public safety by incentivizing State and local law enforcement to cooperate with Federal immigration law enforcement to prevent the release of criminal aliens into communities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. DONNELLY):

S. 1813. A bill to establish a bus state of good repair program; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. FLAKE, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 1814. A bill to withhold certain Federal funding from sanctuary cities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 1815. A bill to require a process by which members of the Armed Forces may carry a concealed personal firearm on a military installation; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROUNDS (for himself and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 1816. A bill to provide relief to community banks, to promote access to capital for community banks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. HEITKAMP (for herself and Mr. LANKFORD):

S. 1817. A bill to improve the effectiveness of major rules in accomplishing their regulatory objectives by promoting retrospective review, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LANKFORD:

S. 1818. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to reform the rule making proc-

ess of agencies; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DAINES:

S. 1819. A bill to improve security at Armed Forces recruitment centers; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LANKFORD:

S. 1820. A bill to require agencies to publish an advance notice of proposed rule making for major rules; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON:

S. 1821. A bill to permit service members to carry firearms on military installations, including reserve centers and recruitment offices; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 1822. A bill to take certain Federal land located in Tuolumne County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. MORAN:

S. 1823. A bill to safeguard military personnel on Armed Forces military installations by repealing bans on military personnel carrying firearms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 1824. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land as the Finger Lakes National Heritage Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself and Mr. TOOMEY):

S. Res. 224. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the area between the intersections of International Drive, Northwest and Van Ness Street, Northwest and International Drive, Northwest and International Place, Northwest in Washington, District of Columbia, should be designated as "Liu Xiaobo Plaza"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. COONS, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. PETERS, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. ERNST, and Mr. ENZI):

S. Res. 225. A resolution honoring the National Association of Women Business Owners on its 40th anniversary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CRUZ:

S. Res. 226. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the street between the intersections of 16th Street, Northwest and Fuller Street, Northwest and 16th Street, Northwest and Euclid Street, Northwest in Washington, District of Columbia, should be designated as "Oswaldo Paya Way"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CORKER (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. REID, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. COATS, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS,