While interning for the Commerce Committee, Francis assisted the Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet. He is a dedicated worker who was always willing to tackle new projects. I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Francis and wish him continued success in the future.

TRIBUTE TO RYAN UDELL

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize the hard work of my Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee intern Ryan Udell. Ryan hails from Ponte Verde Beach, FL. He is a rising sophomore mechanical engineering major at Rice University.

While interning for the Commerce Committee, Ryan assisted the Subcommittee on Space, Science, and Competitiveness, as well as the Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security. He is a dedicated worker who got the most out of his internship. I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Ryan and wish him continued success in the future.

TRIBUTE TO CARSON ZUBKE

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize the hard work of my Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee intern Carson Zubke. Carson hails from Waubay, SD. He is a rising sophomore finance major at the University of South Dakota.

While interning for the Commerce Committee, Carson assisted the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security. He is a dedicated worker who was always willing to tackle new projects. I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Carson and wish him continued success in the future.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Cuccia, 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 which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 10:28 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Mooney) has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 2779. An act to amend the Zimbabwe Democracy and Economic Recovery Act of 2001. H.R. 4528. An act to make technical amend-

ments to certain marine fish conservation statutes, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4645. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of East Rosebud Creek in Carbon County, Montana, as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

H.R. 5729. An act to restrict the department in which the Coast Guard is operating from implementing any rule requiring the use of biometric readers for biometric transportation security cards until after submission to Congress of the results of an assessment of the effectiveness of the transportation security card program.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 2:27 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MOONEY) has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 1182. An act to extend the National Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

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

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, July 31, 2018, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1182. An act to extend the National Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-6127. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Implementation and Assessment of a Training Curriculum for the Boards for Correction of Military Records"; to the Committee on Armed Services

EC-6128. A communication from the Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Social Security Number Fraud Prevention Act Report to Congress"; to the Committees on Finance; and Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6129. A communication from the Director, Office of Labor-Management Standards, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rescission of Rule Interpreting 'Advice' Exemption in Section 203(c) of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act" (RIN1215-AA07) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6130. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule en-

titled "Senior Community Service Employment Program; Performance Accountability" (RIN1205-AB79) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6131. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adoption of the Methodology for the HHS-operated Permanent Risk Adjustment Program under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for the 2017 Benefit Year" ((RIN0938-AT65) (CMS-9920-F)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6132. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's 2017 Annual Report to Congress; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Report to accompany S. 930, A bill to require the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration to establish a pilot project to provide increased transparency for customers, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115–309).

Report to accompany S. 1030, A bill to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to submit to Congress a report on certain hydropower projects (Rept. No. 115–310)

Report to accompany S. 1142, A bill to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects (Rept. No. 115–311).

Report to accompany H.R. 2582, A bill to authorize the State of Utah to select certain lands that are available for disposal under the Pony Express Resource Management Plan to be used for the support and benefit of State institutions, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115–312).

By Mr. ALEXANDER, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2554. A bill to ensure that health insurance issuers and group health plans do not prohibit pharmacy providers from providing certain information to enrollees.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. ROBERTS for the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

*Dan Michael Berkovitz, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2023.

*James E. Hubbard, of Colorado, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment.

By Mr. INHOFE for Mr. McCAIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Christopher P. Weggeman, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. John M. Murray, to be General.

Air Force nomination of Lt. Gen. Maryanne Miller, to be General.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. Steven A. Schaick, to be Major General.

Air Force nomination of Col. Ronald M. Harvell, to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Col. Charles L. Knowles, to be Brigadier General.

Mr. INHOFE for Mr. McCAIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORD on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Air Force nominations beginning with Ilda Y. Isaza and ending with Yobanka E. Paez-Munoz, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Air Force nomination of Samantha S. Rieger-Pinson, to be Major.

Air Force nominations beginning with Steven J. Nordeen and ending with Stephanie E. Wilson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 23, 2018.

Army nomination of Kenneth F. Klock, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Brandon C. Klink, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Burton C. Glover, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Manuel Reyes, Jr., to be Major.

Army nomination of Emmanuel D. Eisenstein, to be Major.

Army nomination of Marshall L. Bartee, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Ethan P. Carter and ending with Samuel R. Wetherill IV, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Patricia J. Rasmussen and ending with Kent J. Vince, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Jeremy W. Berndt and ending with Amy M. Ramer, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Scott M. Everhart and ending with Albert Sohnen, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nomination of William Perez, to be Major

Army nominations beginning with Robyn D. Bolgla and ending with Rhonda D. Wynder, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Michael C. Ampelas and ending with Kurt G. Zimmer, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Michael S. Allain and ending with Carmen M. Tucker, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Donna M. Kentley and ending with David J. Skelley, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nomination of Kimberly D. Dejesus, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Royal M. Minor III and ending with Benito E. Rodriguez, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Edward L. Barron, Jr. and ending with Michele M. Rich, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Lori J. Allert and ending with Lara K. Teran, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Carl W. Adams and ending with John H. Wu, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Army nominations beginning with Dawud A. A. Agbere and ending with D010823, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 23, 2018.

Army nomination of Cynthia A. Hopkins, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Michael J. Loomis, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Latonia M. Mahnke, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Justin A. Evison, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Navy nominations beginning with Kory A. Anglesey and ending with Benjamin C. Waite, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Navy nominations beginning with David W. Alexander and ending with Harold B. Woodruff, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Navy nominations beginning with Jonathan D. Albano and ending with James P. Zakar, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18. 2018.

Navy nominations beginning with Jane J. Abanes and ending with Michelle L. Westcott, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Navy nominations beginning with Matthew S. Bailey and ending with Adam B. Yost, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Navy nominations beginning with Lynda S. Amell and ending with Chadwick Y. Yasuda, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Navy nominations beginning with Laleh Abdolazadeh and ending with Christopher L. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Navy nominations beginning with Lisa L. Abels and ending with Jerry Yuan, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 18, 2018.

Navy nomination of Javier Lopezmartinez, to be Commander.

By Mr. BURR for the Select Committee on Intelligence.

Ellen E. McCarthy, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Intelligence and Research).

Joseph Maguire, of Florida, to be Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(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. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Markey, Mr. Reed, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Klobuchar, Ms. Warren, Mr. Murphy, Ms. Hassan, Ms. Hirono, and Mr. Booker):

S. 3300. A bill to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to ensure that all firearms are traceable, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself and Ms. Duckworth):

S. 3301. A bill to implement recommendations related to the safety of amphibious passenger vessels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. HELLER, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 3302. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the non-applicability of non-Department of Veterans Affairs covenants not to compete to the appointment of physicians in the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. DAINES, and Mr. INHOFE): S. 3303. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to make changes with respect to water quality certification, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. NELSON (for himself, FEINSTEIN, SCHUMER, Mrs. Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, BROWN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. MUR-RAY, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. REED, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. CASEY, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KAINE, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. Harris, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Carper, Ms. SMITH, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. SAND-ERS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. WARREN, Ms. Duckworth, Mr. Coons, Ms. Has-SAN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3304. A bill to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the publication of 3D printer plans for the printing of firearms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 3305. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish rules for payment for graduate medical education (GME) costs for hospitals that establish a new medical residency training program after hosting resident rotators for short durations; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3306. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with regard to stalking; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. Wyden and Mr. Blumenthal):

S. 3307. A bill to create a new Federal grant program that provides grants to State libraries to allow schools with summer lunch programs to keep their libraries open for student use during the summer months; to the