

great-grandchildren have continued on their forefather's long road of growth and innovation.

I think we can all agree that small businesses are the backbone of America and families are the heart. It gives me great pleasure to see Ted Fort's hard work transcend generations to provide vital manufacturing services to my home county and statewide. Therefore, I want to commend the Fort family for their hard work and commitment to keeping Red Oak Fabrication a family business, even as they continue to grow their enterprise, and achieve the American dream. Congratulations to the Fort family and the entire team at Red Oak Fabrication. I look forward to seeing your continued growth and success in Iowa.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

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.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:55 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill and joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 139. An act to require Executive agencies to submit to Congress a study of the impacts of expanded telework and remote work by agency employees during the COVID-19 pandemic and a plan for the agency's future use of telework and remote work, and for other purposes

H.J. Res. 7. Joint resolution relating to a national emergency declared by the President on March 13, 2020.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 139. An act to require Executive agencies to submit to Congress a study of the impacts of expanded telework and remote work by agency employees during the COVID-19 pandemic and a plan for the agency's future use of telework and remote work, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.J. Res. 7. Joint resolution relating to a national emergency declared by the President on March 13, 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 214. A bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms.

S. 219. A bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 259. A bill to ensure transparent and competitive transportation fuel markets in order to protect consumers from unwarranted price increases.

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-335. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rimsulfuron; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 10478-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-336. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Malic Acid; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 10494-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-337. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluridone; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 10504-01-OCSPP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-338. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of vice admiral in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777a; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-339. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Strengthening Organic Enforcement" (RIN0581-AD09) (Docket No. AMS-NOP-17-0065) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-340. A communication from the Chairman of the Armed Forces Retirement Home, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a real estate lease transaction; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-341. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of

a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment" (RIN0790-AL58) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-342. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expanding TRICARE Access to Care in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic" (RIN0720-AB85) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-343. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reorganization of Defense Acquisition Statutes" (RIN0750-AL72) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-344. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement" (RIN0750-AL58) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-345. A communication from the Associate General Counsel, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, four (4) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Agriculture, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-346. A communication from the Director of Public Affairs and Congressional Relations, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of the Comptroller's 2022 Annual Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-347. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a plan of action for any use of the authorities available in Title III of the Defense Production Act of 1950 to establish or enhance the domestic production capability for microelectronic technologies and related technologies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-348. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13581 with respect to significant transnational criminal organizations; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-349. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13882 with respect to Mali; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-350. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13566 with respect to Libya; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-351. A communication from the Chair and President of the Export-Import Bank,

transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Türkiye; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-352. A communication from the Chair and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Canada, Mexico, and Saudi Arabia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-353. A communication from the Sanctions Regulations Advisor, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inflation Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties" received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-354. A communication from the Sanctions Regulations Advisor, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to OFAC Sanctions Regulations" received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-355. 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 "Standards for Safeguarding Customer Information" (RIN3084-AB35) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-356. 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 "Privacy of Consumer Financial Information Rule Under the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act" (RIN3084-AB42) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-357. A communication from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Home Mortgage Disclosure (Regulation C) Adjustment to Asset-Size Exemption Threshold" (12 CFR Part 1003) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-358. A communication from the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adjustments to Civil Monetary Penalty Amounts" received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-359. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Community Reinvestment Act Regulations Asset-Size Thresholds" (RIN3064-AF87) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-360. A communication from the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Insider Trading Arrangements and Related Disclosures"

(RIN3235-AM86) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-361. A communication from the Branch of Administrative Support Services, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reclassifying Fender's Blue Butterfly From Endangered to Threatened With a Section 4(d) Rule" (RIN1018-BD97) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-362. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Ohio; Redesignation of the Ohio portion of the Cincinnati, Ohio-Kentucky Area to Attainment of the 2015 Ozone Standard; Correction" (FRL No. 9532-03-R5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-363. A communication from the Associate 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 (21-1.5e); Correction" (FRL No. 8582-03-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-364. 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 State Implementation Plan Revisions Required Under Clean Air Act Section 185; California; Sacramento Metro Area" (FRL No. 10505-01-R9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-365. 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; Colorado; Delegation of Authority of the Federal Plan for Existing Hospital, Medical, Infectious Waste Incinerators" (FRL No. 10462-02-R8) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-366. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Michigan; Base Year Emissions Inventory and Emissions Statement Rule Certification for the 2015 Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9746-02-R5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-367. A communication from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consumer Price Index Adjustments of Oil Pollution Act of 1990 Limits of Liability - Vessels, Deepwater Ports and Onshore Facilities" ((RIN1625-AC84) (Docket No. USCG-2022-0252)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-368. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adjustment of Civil Penalties for Inflation for Fiscal Year 2023" (RIN3150-AK59) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-369. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of the NRC Enforcement Policy" received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-370. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NuScale Small Modular Reactor Design Certification" received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. REED for the Committee on Armed Services.

*Lester Martinez-Lopez, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

*Ravi Chaudhary, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

By Mr. DURBIN for the Committee on the Judiciary.

DeAndrea Gist Benjamin, of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

Cindy K. Chung, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

Bradley N. Garcia, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

Maria Araujo Kahn, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

Daniel J. Calabretta, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California.

Tiffany M. Cartwright, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Matthew L. Garcia, of New Mexico, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico.

Margaret R. Guzman, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.

Lindsay C. Jenkins, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Araceli Martinez-Olguin, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California.

Gina R. Mendez-Miro, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico.

Adrienne C. Nelson, of Oregon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon.

Ana C. Reyes, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

Jamar K. Walker, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Jamal N. Whitehead, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.