

13405 of June 16, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7542. A communication from the Administrator and Chief Executive Officer, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Annual Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7543. 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 "Change in Basis for Determining Reserves Under Section 807" (Rev. Proc. 2019-10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 17, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7544. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations and Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Social Security Administration Violence Evaluation and Reporting System" (RIN0960-AI08) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7545. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on the Continuing Need for Authorized Bankruptcy Judgeships"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7546. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Semiannual Report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7547. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Labor's Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7548. A communication from the Director of the Peace Corps, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corps' Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7549. A communication from the Acting Chairman of the National Endowment of the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Endowment's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7550. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report consistent with the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (P.L. 107-243) and the Authorization for the Use of Force Against Iraq Resolution of 1991 (P.L. 102-1) for the July 11, 2018 to September 9, 2018 reporting period; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7551. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7552. A communication from the Acting Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7553. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Upper Hudson Viticultural

Area" (RIN1513-AC38) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7554. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interpretive Rule, Shipping Act of 1984" (RIN3072-AC71) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ALEXANDER, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

Report to accompany S. 3217, An original bill to reauthorize the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (Rept. No. 115-434).

By Mr. RISCH, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:

Report to accompany S. 791, a bill to amend the Small Business Act to expand intellectual property education and training for small businesses, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-435).

Report to accompany S. 1538, a bill to amend the Small Business Act to establish awareness of, and technical assistance for, the creation of employee stock ownership plans, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-436).

Report to accompany S. 3552, a bill to amend the Small Business Act to adjust the real estate appraisal thresholds under the 7(a) program of the Small Business Administration to bring those thresholds into line with the thresholds used by the Federal banking regulators, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-437).

Report to accompany S. 3553, a bill to amend the Small Business Act to adjust the real estate appraisal thresholds under the section 504 program of the Small Business Administration to bring those thresholds into line with the thresholds used by the Federal banking regulators, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-438).

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

Report to accompany S. 1548, a bill to designate certain land administered by the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service in the State of Oregon as wilderness and national recreation areas and to make additional wild and scenic river designations in the State of Oregon, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-439).

Report to accompany S. 2809, a bill to establish the San Rafael Swell Western Heritage and Historic Mining National Conservation Area in the State of Utah, to designate wilderness areas in the State, to provide for certain land conveyances, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-440).

Report to accompany S. 2290, a bill to improve wildfire management operations and the safety of firefighters and communities with the best available technology (Rept. No. 115-441).

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

S. 2764. A bill to amend and enhance the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act to improve the conservation of sharks, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-442).

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

S. 1426. A bill to amend the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act to expand

the purposes of the corporation, to designate the United States Center for Safe Sport, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-443).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 278. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for innovative research and development, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-444).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments:

S. 2948. A bill to improve efforts to identify and reduce Governmentwide improper payments, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-445).

S. 3041. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to provide for disaster recovery reforms, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-446).

H.R. 50. A bill to provide for additional safeguards with respect to imposing Federal mandates, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-447).

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. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 3778. A bill to allow State manufacturing extension partnerships to award grants to small and medium sized manufacturers for the purpose of training new workers to replace departing experienced workers; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3779. A bill to establish a voluntary program that strengthens the economy, public health, and environment of the United States by reducing emissions from wood heaters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. 3780. A bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to limit experimentation on cats; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3781. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform retirement provisions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DAINES:

S. 3782. A bill to restore the application of the Federal antitrust laws to the business of health insurance to protect competition and consumers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHATZ (for himself and Mr. BROWN):

S. 3783. A bill to direct the Secretary of Education to establish and carry out a grant program to make grants to eligible institutions to plan and implement programs that provide comprehensive support services and resources designed to increase transfer and graduation rates at community colleges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 3784. A bill to address the needs of workers in industries likely to be impacted by rapidly evolving technologies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.