

and Nationality Act as Amended—Immediate Relative (22 CFR Part 42)” received on March 12, 2003; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1669. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to a legislative proposal to restructure the patent fees and adjust trademark fees for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 164. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of sites associated with the life of Cesar Estrada Chavez and the farm labor movement (Rept. No. 108-20).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 212. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the High Plains States in conducting a hydrogeologic characterization, mapping, modeling and monitoring program for the High Plains Aquifer, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-21).

From the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 220. A bill to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Illinois (Rept. No. 108-22).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 278. A bill to make certain adjustments to the boundaries of the Mount Naomi Wilderness Area, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-23).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 328. A bill to designate Catoctin Mountain Park in the State of Maryland as the “Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area”, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-24).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 347. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a joint special resources study to evaluate the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Rim of the Valley Corridor as a unit of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-25).

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 425. A bill to revise the boundary of the Wind Cave National Park in the State of South Dakota (Rept. No. 108-26).

H.R. 397. A bill to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Illinois (Rept. No. 108-27).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. GREGG for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

*Kenneth M. Ford, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation.

*Dario Fernandez-Morera, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities.

*Mary Costa, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts.

*Makoto Fujimura, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts.

*Jerry Pinkney, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts.

*Karen Lias Wolff, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts.

*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.

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. REED:

S. 656. A bill to provide for the adjustment of status of certain nationals of Liberia to that of lawful permanent residence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAYH (for himself and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 657. A bill to amend title IV of the Social Security Act to provide grants to promote responsible fatherhood, to encourage teen pregnancy prevention strategies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 658. A bill to extend the authority for Energy Savings Performance Contracts and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CRAIG (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BOND, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MILLER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. REID, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. TALENT, and Mr. THOMAS):

S. 659. A bill to prohibit civil liability actions from being brought or continued against manufacturers, distributors, dealers, or importers of firearms or ammunition for damages resulting from the misuse of their products by others; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JOHNSON:

S. 660. A bill to extend limitations on certain provisions of State law under the Fair Credit Reporting Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 661. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to equalize the exclusion

from gross income of parking and transportation fringe benefits and to provide for a common cost-of-living adjustment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 662. A bill to extend to Nepal certain preferential treatment with respect to apparel articles; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. INOUE:

S. 663. A bill for the relief of the Pottawatomi Nation in Canada for settlement of certain claims against the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SMITH, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. KYL, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BUNNING, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. ALLEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. BAYH, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. MILLER, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 664. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the research credit, to increase the rates of the alternative incremental credit, and to provide an alternative simplified credit for qualified research expenses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. MILLER, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 665. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for farmers and fisherman, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 666. A bill to provide incentives to increase research by private sector entities to develop antivirals, antibiotics and other drugs, vaccines, microbicides, detection, and diagnostic technologies to prevent and treat illnesses associated with a biological, chemical, or radiological weapons attack; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 667. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to strengthen payment limitations for commodity payments and benefits; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. DODD, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 668. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to provide incentive grants to improve the quality of child care; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. KOHL, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. LINCOLN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BAYH, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 669. A bill to provide more child support money to families leaving welfare, to simplify the rules governing the assignment and distribution of child support collected by States on behalf of children, to improve the collection of child support, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

S. Con. Res. 24. A concurrent resolution concerning a joint meeting of Congress and