

Southern District of Iowa to hold court in Rock Island, Illinois.

S. 3014. An act to reauthorize the Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 529. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

The message also announced that House agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2655) to amend and extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998.

ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills and joint resolutions:

H.R. 1047. An act to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty, to make other technical amendments to the trade laws, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1630. An act to revise the boundary of the Petrified Forest National Park in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2912. An act to reaffirm the inherent sovereign rights of the Osage Tribe to determine its membership and form of government.

H.J. Res. 110. Joint resolution recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge during World War II.

H.J. Res. 111. Joint resolution appointing the day for convening of first session of the One Hundred Ninth Congress.

The enrolled bills and joint resolutions were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

At 10:42 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 114. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2005, and for other purposes.

The enrolled joint resolution was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

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-10055. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Management, Veterans' Benefits Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Increase in Rates Payable Under the Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program" (RIN2900-AL64) received on November 5, 2004; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-10056. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Trends in Educational Equity of Girls and Women: 2004"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10057. A communication from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" received on November 16, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10058. A communication from the Chairman, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10059. A communication from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Antiperspirant Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use; Final Monograph; Partial Stay; Reopening of the Administrative Record" received on November 16, 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10060. A communication from the Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2004; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-10061. A communication from the Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2004; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-10062. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Political Committee Status, Definition of Contribution, and Allocation for Separate Segregated Funds and Nonconnected Committees" received on November 18, 2004; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-10063. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Management, Veterans' Benefits Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Increase in Rates Payable Under the Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve" (RIN2900-AL80) received on November 5, 2004; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-10064. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Management, Veterans' Benefits Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards for Collection, Compromise, Suspension, or Termination of Collection Effort, and Referral of Civil Claims for Money, Property; Regional Office Committees on Waivers and Compromises; Salary Offset Provisions; Delegations of Authority" (RIN2900-AK10) received on November 5, 2004; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-10065. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Management, Veterans' Benefits Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Waivers" (RIN2900-AK29) received on November 5, 2004; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-10066. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Management, Veterans' Benefits Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Veterans' Education: Increased Allowances for the Educational Assistance Test Program" (RIN2900-AL81) received on November 5, 2004; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Ms. COLLINS, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2635. A bill to establish an intergovernmental grant program to identify and develop homeland security information, equipment, capabilities, technologies, and services to further the homeland security needs of the United States and to address the homeland security needs of Federal, State, and local governments (Rept. No. 108-420).

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. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 3021. A bill to provide for the protection of intellectual property rights, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. 3022. A bill to enhance the Federal investment in research and development and the development of innovative technologies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DODD:

S. 3023. A bill to improve funeral home, cemetery, and crematory inspection systems, to establish consumer protections relating to funeral service contracts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DODD:

S. 3024. A bill to establish the National Center for Transportation Solutions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 3025. A bill to strengthen efforts to combat slavery and trafficking in persons, within the United States and around the world; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 3026. A bill to support the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts of the United States of America; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DEWINE (for himself, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SMITH, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. HAGEL, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 3027. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to improve the results and accountability of microenterprise development assistance programs, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

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

S. 3028. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act to provide authority for the Attorney General to authorize the export of controlled substances from the United States to another country for subsequent export from that country to a second country, if certain conditions and safeguards are satisfied; considered and passed.

By Mr. STEVENS:

S.J. Res. 42. A joint resolution to make a correction in the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 4818; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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