

EC-7229. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Ruling: 2006 Prevailing State Assumed Interest Rates" (Rev. Rul. 2006-25) received on June 6, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7230. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Rev. Rul. 2006-1" (Rev. Rul. 2006-31) received on June 6, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7231. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance under Section 7874 Regarding Expatriated Entities and Their Foreign Parents" (RIN1545-BF48) received on June 6, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7232. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mixed Service Cost Examinations ('MSC') Industry Directive" received on June 12, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7233. A communication from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weighted Average Interest Rate Update" (Notice 2006-55) received on June 12, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7234. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the report of a draft bill entitled "Lava Beds National Monument Wilderness Boundary Adjustment Act of 2005"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7235. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting the report of a draft bill entitled "Range Improvement Fund Amendment Act of 2006"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7236. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Record Retention Requirements for Unbundled Sales Service, Persons Holding Blanket Marketing Certificates, and Public Utility Market-Based Rate Authorization Holders" (Docket No. RM06-14-000) received on June 8, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7237. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Texas Regulatory Program" (Docket No. TX-054-FOR) received on June 12, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. SPECTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

S.J. Res. 12. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

## 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 Mrs. CLINTON:

S. 3537. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a national center for public mental health emergency preparedness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 3538. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on unbleached printcloth; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 3539. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on unbleached sheeting; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 3540. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on unbleached cheesecloth; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 3541. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain unbleached printcloth; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 3542. A bill to improve maritime and cargo security and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. INOUE, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3543. A bill to improve passenger automobile fuel economy and safety, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, reduce dependence on foreign oil, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3544. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on Thiamethoxam Technical; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CRAIG (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BURR, and Mr. OBAMA):

S. 3545. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for homeless veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

## SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. DOLE (for herself and Mr. BURR):

S. Res. 517. A resolution commending the Carolina Hurricanes for winning the 2006 National Hockey League Stanley Cup; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. KOHL, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. OBAMA, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. Res. 518. A resolution honoring the life and accomplishments of James Cameron; considered and agreed to.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 418

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S.

418, a bill to protect members of the Armed Forces from unscrupulous practices regarding sales of insurance, financial, and investment products.

S. 774

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 774, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 1993 income tax increase on Social Security benefits.

S. 809

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 809, a bill to establish certain duties for pharmacies when pharmacists employed by the pharmacies refuse to fill valid prescriptions for drugs or devices on the basis of personal beliefs, and for other purposes.

S. 843

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 843, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to combat autism through research, screening, intervention and education.

S. 1035

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1035, a bill to authorize the presentation of commemorative medals on behalf of Congress to Native Americans who served as Code Talkers during foreign conflicts in which the United States was involved during the 20th century in recognition of the service of those Native Americans to the United States.

S. 1112

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1112, a bill to make permanent the enhanced educational savings provisions for qualified tuition programs enacted as part of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001.

S. 1687

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1687, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide waivers relating to grants for preventive health measures with respect to breast and cervical cancers.

S. 1909

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1909, a bill to improve the provision of telehealth services under the Medicare Program, to provide grants for the development of telehealth networks, and for other purposes.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. SUNUNU, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1910, a bill to amend title XVIII of the

Social Security Act to provide incentives to physicians for writing electronic prescriptions.

S. 2124

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2124, a bill to address the needs of individuals with disabilities in emergency planning requirements and relief efforts in the event of a major disaster, to increase the accessibility of replacement housing built with Federal funds following Hurricane Katrina and other major disasters, and for other purposes.

S. 2140

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2140, a bill to enhance protection of children from sexual exploitation by strengthening section 2257 of title 18, United States Code, requiring producers of sexually explicit material to keep and permit inspection of records regarding the age of performers, and for other purposes.

S. 2145

At the request of Mr. SALAZAR, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2145, a bill to enhance security and protect against terrorist attacks at chemical facilities.

S. 2250

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2250, a bill to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Norman E. Borlaug.

S. 2393

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2393, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to advance medical research and treatments into pediatric cancers, ensure patients and families have access to the current treatments and information regarding pediatric cancers, establish a population-based national childhood cancer database, and promote public awareness of pediatric cancers.

S. 2494

At the request of Mr. BURNS, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2494, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for the payment of premiums for high deductible health plans, to allow a credit for certain employment taxes paid with respect to premiums for high deductible health plans and contributions to health savings accounts, and for other purposes.

S. 2548

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2548, a bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to ensure that State and local emergency prepared-

ness operational plans address the needs of individuals with household pets and service animals following a major disaster or emergency.

S. 2585

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2585, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit military death gratuities to be contributed to certain tax-favored accounts.

S. 2657

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2657, a bill to extend the Iran and Libya Sanctions Act of 1996.

S. 2658

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2658, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to enhance the national defense through empowerment of the Chief of the National Guard Bureau and the enhancement of the functions of the National Guard Bureau, and for other purposes.

S. 2720

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2720, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives to improve America's research competitiveness, and for other purposes.

S. 3364

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3364, a bill to authorize appropriate action against Japan for failing to resume the importation of United States beef in a timely manner, and for other purposes.

S. 3475

At the request of Mr. OBAMA, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3475, a bill to provide housing assistance for very low-income veterans.

S. 3506

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3506, a bill to prohibit the unauthorized removal or use of personal information contained in a database owned, operated, or maintained by the Federal government.

S. CON. RES. 94

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 94, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the needs of children and youth affected or displaced by disasters are unique and should be given special consideration in planning, responding, and recovering from such disasters in the United States.

S. RES. 507

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from North Caro-

lina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 507, a resolution designating the week of November 5 through November 11, 2006, as "National Veterans Awareness Week" to emphasize the need to develop educational programs regarding the contributions of veterans to the country.

S. RES. 508

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 508, a resolution designating October 20, 2006 as "National Mammography Day".

S. RES. 510

At the request of Mr. MARTINEZ, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 510, a resolution designating the period beginning on June 28, 2006, and ending on July 5, 2006, as "National Clean Beaches Week", supporting the goals and ideals of that week, and recognizing the considerable value and role of beaches in the culture of the United States.

AMENDMENT NO. 4194

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4194 intended to be proposed to H.R. 8, a bill to make the repeal of the estate tax permanent.

AMENDMENT NO. 4216

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4216 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4224

At the request of Mr. OBAMA, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR) and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4224 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4231

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4231 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities

of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4236

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SUNUNU), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4236 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4261

At the request of Mr. CHAMBLISS, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) and the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4261 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4264

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4264 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4266

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4266 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4271

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD), the Senator from Delaware (Mr.

BIDEN), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. TALENT), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG), the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4271 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4272

At the request of Mr. WARNER, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4272 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4292

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4292 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4301

At the request of Mrs. DOLE, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4301 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4302

At the request of Mrs. DOLE, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4302 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4304

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4304 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4309

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4309 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4320

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4320 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. OBAMA, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4320 intended to be proposed to S. 2766, *supra*.

## AMENDMENT NO. 4322

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN), the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 4322 proposed to S. 2766, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4322 proposed to S. 2766, *supra*.