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H.R. 4844. An act to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require each individual who desires a vote in an election for Federal office to provide the appropriate election official with a government-issued photo identification, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4957. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Tylersville division of the Lamar National Fish Hatchery and Fish Technology Center to the State of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5450. An act to provide for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5664. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Cooper Street in Babylon, New York, as the "Jacob Samuel Fletcher Post Office Building".

The message also announced that the House passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 260. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide technical and financial assistance to private landowners to restore, enhance, and manage private land to improve fish and wildlife habitats through the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program.

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

S. 1025. An act to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, Kansas, and for other purposes" to authorize the Equus Beds Division of the Wichita Project.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3858) to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to ensure that State and local emergency preparedness operational plans address the needs of individuals with household pets and service animals following a major disaster or emergency.

At 5:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4830. An act to amend chapter 27 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the unauthorized construction, financing, or reckless permitting (on one's land) the construction or use of a tunnel or subterranean passageway between the United States and another country.

H.R. 6094. An act to restore the Secretary of Homeland Security's authority to detain dangerous aliens, to ensure the removal of deportable criminal aliens, and combat alien gang crime.

H.R. 6095. An act to affirm the inherent authority of State and local law enforcement to assist in the enforcement of immigration laws, to provide for effective prosecution of alien smugglers, and to reform immigration litigation procedures.

The message also announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 5441) making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes; it agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. WAMP, Mr. LATHAM, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. CARTER, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. SABO, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. BERRY, Mr. EDWARDS, and Mr. OBEY, as managers of the conference on the part of the House.

The message further announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 5631) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes; it agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. WICKER, Mr. KINGSTON, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. DICKS, Mr. SABO, Mr. VISCLOSKY, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. KAPTUR, and Mr. OBEY, as managers of the conference on the part of the House.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 2334. To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of permanent facilities for the GREAT project to reclaim, reuse, and treat impaired waters in the area of Oxnard, California; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4586. To extend the life of the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4653. An act to repeal a prohibition on the use of certain funds for tunneling in certain areas with respect to the Los Angeles to San Fernando Valley Metro Rail project, California; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 4768. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 777 Corporation Street in Beaver, Pennsylvania, as the "Robert Linn Memorial Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 4830. An act to amend chapter 27 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the unauthorized construction, financing, or reckless permitting (on one's land) the construction or use of a tunnel or subterranean

passageway between the United States and another country; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5450. An act to provide for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 5664. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Cooper Street in Babylon, New York, as the "Jacob Samuel Fletcher Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6094. An act to restore the Secretary of Homeland Security's authority to detain dangerous aliens, to ensure the removal of deportable criminal aliens, and combat alien gang crime; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 6095. An act to affirm the inherent authority of State and local law enforcement to assist in the enforcement of immigration laws, to provide for effective prosecution of alien smugglers, and to reform immigration litigation procedures; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The following bill was read, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2965. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to require Federal Prison Industries to compete for its contracts minimizing its unfair competition with private sector firms and their non-inmate workers and empowering Federal agencies to get the best value for taxpayers' dollars, to provide a five-year period during which Federal Prison Industries adjusts to obtaining inmate work opportunities through other than its mandatory source status, to enhance inmate access to remedial and vocational opportunities and other rehabilitative opportunities to better prepare inmates for a successful return to society, to authorize alternative inmate work opportunities in support of non-profit organizations and other public service programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 503. An act to amend the Horse Protection Act to prohibit the shipping, transporting, moving, delivering, receiving, possessing, purchasing, selling, or donation of horses and other equines to be slaughtered for human consumption, and for other purposes.

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 4957. To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Tylersville division of the Lamar National Fish Hatchery and Fish Technology Center to the State of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 3925. A bill to provide certain authorities for the Secretary of State and the Broadcasting Board of Governors, and for other purposes.

#### 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-8390. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Buprofezin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8092-2) received on September 20, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8391. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ethaboxam; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8091-5) received on September 20, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8392. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fenamidone; Pesticide Tolerance for Emergency Exemption" (FRL No. 8093-3) received on September 20, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8393. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fenbuconazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8093-9) received on September 20, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8394. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Propiconazole; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8092-1) received on September 20, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8395. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trifloxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8093-8) received on September 20, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8396. A communication from the Regulatory Analyst, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States Standards for Soybeans" (RIN0580-AA90) received on September 21, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8397. A communication from the Deputy Chief of Legislative Affairs, Department of the Navy, transmitting, a report relative to the Department's plan to perform a standard A-76 competition; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8398. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, (12) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department, received on September 21, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8399. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the role of military medical and behavioral science personnel in interrogations; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8400. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), trans-

mitting, pursuant to law, the report of (2) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half) in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8401. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report relative to the national emergency and related measures blocking property of persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe that was declared in Executive Order 13288; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8402. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report relative to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13224; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2781. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to enhance the security of wastewater treatment works (Rept. No. 109-345).

By Mr. ENZI, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, without amendment:

H.R. 5074. A bill to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 to provide for continued payment of railroad retirement annuities by the Department of the Treasury, and for other purposes.

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

H.R. 5187. A bill to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize additional appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts for fiscal year 2007.

By Mr. SPECTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 394. A bill to promote accessibility, accountability, and openness in Government by strengthening section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act), and for other purposes.

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment and an amendment to the title:

S. 3867. A bill to designate the Federal courthouse located at 555 Independence Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, as the "Rush H. Limbaugh, Sr., Federal Courthouse".

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. SPECTER for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Norman Randy Smith, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Philip S. Gutierrez, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Valerie L. Baker, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Francisco Augusto Besosa, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico.

Lawrence Joseph O'Neill, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California.

Rodger A. Heaton, of Illinois, to be United States Attorney for the Central District of Illinois for the term of four years.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

#### 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. SESSIONS:

S. 3916. A bill to expand the boundaries of the Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 3917. A bill to establish the American-Made Energy Trust Fund, to increase the tax credits for cellulosic biomass ethanol, to extend tax incentives for solar and fuel cell property, to promote coal-to-liquid fuel activities, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish and implement a competitive oil and gas leasing program for the Coastal Plain of Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 3918. A bill to establish a grant program for individuals still suffering health effects as a result of the September 11, 2001, attacks in New York City and at the Pentagon; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 3919. A bill to assist small business concerns in complying with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

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

S. 3920. A bill to amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to assure access to durable medical equipment under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. 3921. A bill to modify the calculation of back pay for persons who were approved for promotion as members of the Navy and Marine Corps while interned as prisoners of war during World War II to take into account changes in the Consumer Price Index; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 3922. A bill to clarify the status of the Young Woman's Christian Association Retirement Fund as a defined contribution plan for certain purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3923. A bill to establish a pilot program in certain United States district courts to encourage enhancement of expertise in patent cases among district judges; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 3924. A bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to allow qualifying States to use all or any portion of their allotments under the State Children's Health Insurance Program for certain Medicaid expenditures; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 3925. A bill to provide certain authorities for the Secretary of State and the Broadcasting Board of Governors, and for other purposes; read the first time.