

separate fuel economy standards. Unfortunately the Senate's CAFE language is unclear in this regard, providing little certainty on how the Department of Transportation will interpret this provision. Congress must provide the necessary certainty.

In order to ensure the Energy bill takes the right approach on CAFE standards, I have also joined colleagues in calling for a formal House-Senate conference to meet to draft the final bill. We should not abandon the normal legislative process on such an important issue and resort to informal, back-room dealmaking. I understand that there are still objections to convening a conference and I hope that those will be resolved soon.

Since the Senate considered the Energy bill, I have worked to ensure that the final version includes a CAFE standard that supports working families in Janesville and elsewhere. When the Senate considered the bill earlier this year, I supported the reasonable Pryor-Bond-Levin amendment to increase CAFE standards, and I was disappointed that it was never brought to a vote. I continue to work with them and other colleagues to make sure that Congress strikes the right balance on this important issue.

As the Congress works to finalize its comprehensive energy legislation, I urge my colleagues to help set strong yet achievable vehicle fuel economy requirements. We can increase CAFE standards while also ensuring that my hometown of Janesville—and hometowns like it across the country—still has the family-supporting jobs that are vital to the strength of the community.

NATIONAL RADIATION PROTECTION
PROFESSIONALS WEEK

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I wish to honor the members of the radiation protection profession and to recognize that the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors and the Health Physics Society have resolved that November 4–10, 2007, should be named National Radiation Protection Professionals Week.

Since Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen's discovery of x-rays on November 8, 1895, the use of radiation has become vital in the Nation's health care, defense, security, energy, and industrial programs. However, if misused, this vital technology can harm and injure those using it or benefiting from it. Members of the radiation protection profession make it their life's work to allow government, medicine, academia, and industry to safely use radiation. By providing the necessary leadership, these professionals protect people from radiation hazards thus enabling society to reap benefits of this remarkable technology. I encourage all citizens to recognize the valuable resource represented by their professional scientific organizations, such as the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, the Health Physics, the National Registry of Radiation Protec-

tion Technologies, and the American Association of Physicists in Medicine. I deeply appreciate the commitment of these professionals and professional organization, and their contribution to our Nation and the world. I invite my colleagues to join me in celebrating National Radiation Protection Professionals Week.

I ask that both of their resolutions be printed in the RECORD at this time.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE HEALTH PHYSICS SOCIETY

Whereas, Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen discovered X-rays on November 8, 1895; and

Whereas, radiation is a useful and necessary part of our modern world; and

Whereas, radiation exposure can be harmful to people; and

Whereas, Radiation Protection Professionals work with government, industry, medical, educational, and private sources to bring the benefits of radiation to the public while minimizing the hazards of radiation exposure; and

Whereas, the Health Physics Society Board of Directors supports efforts to encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of Radiation Protection Professionals who provide necessary leadership in protecting the public from the hazards associated with the use of radiation; now be it

Resolved, That November 4–10, 2007 is National Radiation Protection Professionals Week.

That the week-long observance is dedicated to recognizing Radiation Protection Professionals for their contributions to public safety.

CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM
DIRECTORS, INC., RESOLUTION

Whereas, Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen discovered X-rays on November 8, 1895; and

Whereas, radiation is a useful and necessary part of our modern world; and

Whereas, radiation exposure can be harmful to people; and

Whereas, Radiation Protection Professionals work with government, industry, medical, educational, and private sources to bring the benefits of radiation to the public while minimizing the hazards of radiation exposure; and

Whereas, the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. supports efforts to encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of Radiation Protection Professionals who provide necessary leadership in protecting the public from the hazards associated with the use of radiation; Now be it

Resolved, That November 4–10 is National Radiation Protection Professionals Week.

That the week-long observance is dedicated to recognizing Radiation Protection Professionals for their contributions to public safety.

HONORING JACK AND LOLA
BRADLEY

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Jack and Lola Bradley who will celebrate the 70th anniversary of their wedding during Thanksgiving week.

On November 20, 1937, Jack Bradley and Lola Davis made a commitment to one another to become lifelong partners. True to their word, they have remained as husband and wife for 70 years.

Jack met Lola in Cheyenne, WY, while they were students at Cheyenne High School. The story goes that it was love at first sight. The couple maintained their relationship while Jack went to the University of Wyoming and Lola finished up her high school education.

They started their lives together by moving to Newcastle, WY, to run the family business, Manewal Bradley Refinery—and they remain active in the operation today. They raised three children: Linda, Jack and Lolly. Jack and Lola are respected members of the community. They've supported local charities, they donated land for a city park, and even allowed the use of their property for a community baseball diamond.

Every candidate for public office in Wyoming knows Jack and Lola. They are the go-to people in Weston County. During campaign season, Jack and Lola continue to provide advice, support, and time to candidates at all levels of government.

Through the challenges of running a business, raising a family, and serving their community, it was the undying love for each other that made such a strong relationship that it would last well into the 21st century. I am pleased to take this moment to express my congratulations to Jack and Lola and join with their family and friends in wishing them the very best in the years to come.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION
OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY
WITH RESPECT TO THE PROLIFERATION
OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION
THAT WAS DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE
ORDER 12938 ON NOVEMBER 14,
1994—PM 32

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50

U.S.C. 1622(d)), I transmit herewith notice of a 1-year continuation of the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, as amended.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, November 8, 2007.

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO IRAN THAT WAS DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 12170 ON NOVEMBER 14, 1979—PM 33

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice to the *Federal Register* for publication, stating that the Iran emergency declared in Executive Order 12170 on November 14, 1979, is to continue in effect beyond November 14, 2007.

Our relations with Iran have not yet returned to normal, and the process of implementing the January 19, 1981 agreements with Iran is still underway. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared on November 14, 1979, with respect to Iran, beyond November 14, 2007.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, November 8, 2007.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 9:47 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the bill (S. 2265) to extend the existing provisions regarding the eligibility for essential air service subsidies through fiscal year 2008, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

The message also announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1429) to reauthorize the Head Start Act, to improve program quality, to expand access, and for other purposes, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Messrs. GEORGE MILLER of California, KILDEE, Ms. WOOLSEY, Messrs. DAVIS of Illinois, GRIJALVA, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of

California, Messrs. SARBANES, SESTAK, LOEBACK, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Messrs. MCKEON, CASTLE, Messrs. Fortuño, BISHOP of Utah, KELLER of Florida, WILSON of South Carolina, BOUSTANY, and HELLER of Nevada as managers of the conference on the part of the House.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1119. An act to amend title 36, United States Code, to revise the congressional charter of the Military Order of the Purple Heart of the United States of America, Incorporated, to authorize associate membership in the corporation for the spouse and siblings of a recipient of the Purple Heart medal.

H.R. 2884. An act to assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3495. An act to establish a National Commission on Children and Disasters, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3866. An act to reauthorize certain programs under the Small Business Act for each of fiscal years 2008 and 2009.

H.R. 3997. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide earnings assistance and tax relief to members of the uniformed services, volunteer firefighters, and Peace Corps volunteers, and for other purposes.

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

H. Con. Res. 162. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Congress and the President should increase basic pay for members of the Armed Forces.

At 1:05 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3685. An act to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

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. 236. Concurrent resolution recognizing the close relationship between the United States and the Republic of San Marino.

At 2:07 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3222) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes.

At 3:55 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3074) making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation,

and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. OLVER, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. CRAMER, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. BERRY, Mr. OBEY, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. WOLF, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. WALSH of New York, Mr. GOODE, and Mr. LEWIS of California as the managers of the conference on the part of the House.

At 8:35 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3043) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 2884. An act to assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The following bill was read, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 767. An act to protect, conserve, and restore native fish, wildlife, and their natural habitats at national wildlife refuges through cooperative, incentive-based grants to control, mitigate, and eradicate harmful nonnative species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 162. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Congress and the President should increase basic pay for members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H. Con. Res. 236. Concurrent resolution recognizing the close relationship between the United States and the Republic of San Marino; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following measure was discharged from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 767. An act to protect, conserve, and restore native fish, wildlife, and their natural habitats at national wildlife refuges through cooperative, incentive-based grants to control, mitigate, and eradicate harmful nonnative species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

S. 2318. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the individual alternative minimum tax and to permanently