

At 4:30 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, 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. 2346. An act making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 2162. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 11th Avenue South in Nampa, Idaho, as the "Herbert A Littleton Postal Station"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 84. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and objectives of a National Military Appreciation Month; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

H.R. 2346. An act making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, 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-1606. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Calcium Lactate Pentahydrate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL-8412-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1607. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Candida oleophila Strain O; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL-8412-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1608. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Methoxyfenozide; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL-8410-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1609. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General John F. Regni, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1610. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Tech-

nology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Strategic Plan, May 2009"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1611. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Burma that was declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1612. A communication from the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2008 management reports; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1613. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the construction of a Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility near Aiken, South Carolina; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1614. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pennsylvania Regulatory Program" ((PA-148-FOR)(Docket No. OSM-2008-0014)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 6, 2009; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1615. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Texas; Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL-8901-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1616. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Tennessee; Approval of Revisions to the Knox County Portion" (FRL-8903-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1617. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Net Operating Loss Carryback Election Under 1211 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax" (Rev. Proc. 2009-26) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1618. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sub-Issue Letter Rulings Under Section 355" (Rev. Proc. 2009-25) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1619. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Date for Multiemployer Plans to Elect Relief under Sections 204 and 205 of WRERA" (Notice 2009-42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1620. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure: United States and Area Median Gross Income Figures" (Rev. Proc. 2009-27) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1621. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance to Policyholders Who Surrender or Sell Their Life Insurance Contracts" (Rev. Proc. 2009-13) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1622. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance to Investors Who Purchase Life Insurance Contracts" (Rev. Proc. 2009-14) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 13, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1623. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2009-45) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 13, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1624. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amortization and Reporting of Mortgage Insurance Premiums" (RIN1545-BH84) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 13, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1625. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Actuarial Tables in Valuing Annuities, Interests for Life or Terms of Years, and Remainder or Reversionary Interests" (RIN1545-BH96; RIN1545-B156)(TD 9448) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 13, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1626. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for the export of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more with the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1627. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, two reports relative to national healthcare quality; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1628. A communication from the Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Congressional Justification of Budget Estimates for Fiscal Year 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1629. A communication from the Director, Human Resources Management Office, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the implementation of an alternative rating and selection procedure; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1630. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Estimating the Historical Cost of General Property, Plant, and Equipment: Amending Statements of Federal Financial Accounting Standards 6 and 23"; to

the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1631. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report on the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002: Fiscal 2008 (April 2009)"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1632. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the six-month period ending March 31, 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1633. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Headstones and Markers" (RIN2900-AN29) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2009; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-1634. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Presumptive Service Connection for Disease Associated with Exposure to Certain Herbicide Agents: AL Amyloidosis" (RIN2900-AN01) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2009; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-1635. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expansion of Enrollment in the VA Health Care System" (RIN2900-AN23) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 13, 2009; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-1636. A communication from the Boards of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance and Federal Supplementary Insurance Trust Funds, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Boards' 2009 Annual Report and the 2009 Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and Federal Disability Insurance Trust Funds; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. INOUE, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1054. An original bill making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 111-20).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

*Robert O. Work, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy.

*Raymond Edwin Mabus, Jr., of Mississippi, to be Secretary of the Navy.

*Thomas R. Lamont, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

*Paul N. Stockton, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

*Andrew Charles Weber, of Virginia, to be Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs.

*Charles A. Blanchard, of Arizona, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.

*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. REID (for Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. LAUTENBERG)):

S. 1036. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish national purposes and goals for Federal surface transportation activities and programs and create a national surface transportation plan; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 1037. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide adequate benefits for public safety officers injured or killed in the line of duty, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KOHL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DODD, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. KAUFMAN, Mr. CASEY, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 1038. A bill to improve agricultural job opportunities, benefits, and security for aliens in the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. BAYH):

S. 1039. A bill to provide grants for the renovation, modernization or construction of law enforcement facilities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 1040. A bill to establish a demonstration program requiring the utilization of Value-Based Insurance Design in order to demonstrate that reducing the copayments or coinsurance charged Medicare beneficiaries for selected medications can increase adherence to prescribed medication, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 1041. A bill to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to modify the applicability of certain requirements to double hulled tankers transporting oil in bulk in Prince William Sound, Alaska; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mrs. McCASKILL):

S. 1042. A bill to prohibit the use of funds to promote the direct deposit of Veterans and Social Security benefits until adequate safeguards are established to prevent the attachment and garnishment of such benefits; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 1043. A bill to require the United States Trade Representative to negotiate a remedy for the equitable border tax treatment on goods and services within the WTO by January 1, 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THUNE:

S. 1044. A bill to preserve the ability of the United States to project power globally; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. LINCOLN:

S. 1045. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow employers a credit against income tax for the costs of providing technical training for employees; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. LINCOLN:

S. 1046. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the excise tax provisions and income tax credit for biodiesel; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 1047. A bill to promote Internet safety education and cybercrime prevention initiatives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. REED):

S. 1048. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to extend the food labeling requirements of the Nutrition Labeling and Education Act of 1990 to enable customers to make informed choices about the nutritional content of standard menu items in large chain restaurants; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DODD (for himself and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 1049. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to waive certain provisions of the pre-September 11, 2001, fire grant program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. KOHL, and Mr. LEVIN)):

S. 1050. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to establish Federal standards for health insurance forms, quality, fair marketing, and honesty in out-of-network coverage in the group and individual health insurance markets, to improve transparency and accountability in those markets, and to establish a Federal Office of Health Insurance Oversight to monitor performance in those markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 1051. A bill to establish the Centennial Historic District in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1052. A bill to amend the small, rural school achievement program and the rural and low-income school program under part B of title VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 1053. A bill to amend the National Law Enforcement Museum Act to extend the termination date; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. INOUE:

S. 1054. An original bill making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. AKAKA, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 1055. A bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Central Postal Directory, United States Army, in recognition of their dedicated service during World War II; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.