

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:35 a.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. 3716. An act to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require States to provide to the Secretary of Health and Human Services certain information with respect to provider terminations, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 11:58 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 1596. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2082 Stringtown Road in Grove City, Ohio, as the "Specialist Joseph W. Riley Post Office Building".

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 3716. An act to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require States to provide to the Secretary of Health and Human Services certain information with respect to provider terminations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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-4597. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Zoxamide; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9942-18-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4598. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Penoxsulam; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9940-36-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4599. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pendimethalin; Tolerance Actions; Correction" (FRL No. 9942-24-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4600. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluensulfone; Pesticide Tolerance for Emergency Exemption" (FRL No. 9942-10-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4601. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alpha-[2,4,6-Tris[1-(phenyl)ethyl]phenyl]-OMEGA-hydroxypoly(oxyethylene)poly(oxypropylene)copolymer; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9942-48-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4602. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trifloxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9941-92-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4603. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "D-Glucitol, 1-deoxy-1-(methylamino)-, N-C8-10 acyl derivatives; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9942-43-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4604. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Golden Nematode; Removal of Regulated Areas in Orleans, Nassau, and Suffolk Counties, New York" (Docket No. APHIS-2015-0040) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4605. A communication of from the Director of the Transparency and Accountability Reporting Division, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards" (RIN0505-AA15) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4606. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Lloyd J. Austin III, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4607. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Mary A. Legere, United States Army, and her advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4608. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of ten (10) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general or brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4609. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4610. A communication from the Program Specialist of the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expanded Examination Cycle for Certain Small Insured Depository Institutions and U.S. Branches and Agencies of Foreign Banks" (RIN1557-AE01) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4611. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rulemaking to Affirm Interim Amendments to Dates in Federal Implementation Plans Addressing Interstate Transport of Ozone and Fine Particulate Matter" ((RIN2060-AS40) (FRL No. 9943-36-OAR)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4612. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Arizona Air Plan Revisions; Phoenix, Arizona; Second 10-Year Carbon Monoxide Maintenance Plan" (FRL No. 9942-17-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4613. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Disapproval; Georgia: Disapproval of Automatic Rescission Clause" (FRL No. 9943-35-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4614. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Wisconsin; Base Year Emission Inventories for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9943-31-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4615. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Ohio; Regional Haze Glatfelter BART SIP Revision" (FRL No. 9943-29-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4616. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Illinois; Base Year Emission Inventories for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9943-33-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4617. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Plan Requirements for Sewage Sludge Incineration Units Constructed on or Before October 14, 2010" ((RIN2060-AR77) (FRL No. 9940-50-OAR)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4618. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Iowa's Air Quality Implementation Plans; Iowa Plan for the 2008 Lead Standard" (FRL No. 9942-79-Region 7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4619. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Fine Particulate Matter" (FRL No. 9942-90-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4620. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Utah; Revisions to the Utah Division of Administrative Rules, R307-300 Series; Area Source Rules for Attainment of Fine Particulate Matter Standards" (FRL No. 9935-54-Region 8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4621. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality: Revision to the Regulatory Definition of Volatile Organic Compounds—Requirements for t-Butyl Acetate" ((RIN2060-AR65) (FRL No. 9942-80-OAR)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4622. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, for the six months ending June 30, 2015"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4623. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report consistent with the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (P.L. 107-243) and the Authorization for the Use of Force Against Iraq Resolution of 1991 (P.L. 102-1) for the August 15, 2015–October 13, 2015 reporting period; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4624. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at Battelle Laboratories at the King Avenue site in Columbus, Ohio, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4625. A communication from the Acting Director, Pay and Leave, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Definition of Hancock County, Mississippi, to a Nonappropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Area" (RIN3206-AN20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 25, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4626. A communication from the Report to the Nation Delegation Director, Boy Scouts of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, the organization's 2015 annual report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4627. A communication from the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, transmitting proposed legislation entitled "Beijing Treaty Implementation Act of 2016"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4628. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; First Quarter of Fiscal Year 2016"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4629. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Automotive Fuel Ratings, Certification and Posting" (RIN3084-AB39) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-132. A petition from a citizen of the State of Minnesota relative to the election of a Senator; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. THUNE for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

*Thomas F. Scott Darling, III, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

*Daniel B. Maffei, of New York, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for a term expiring June 30, 2017.

*Coast Guard nomination of Francis S. Pelkowski, to be Rear Admiral.

*Coast Guard nomination of Rear Adm. Fred M. Midgette, to be Vice Admiral.

*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 Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 2622. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in the State of New York; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. UDALL):

S. 2623. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to deny the deduction for advertising and promotional expenses for prescription drugs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. WARREN (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. MURPHY):

S. 2624. A bill to establish the "Biomedical Innovation Fund", and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. TOOMEY:

S. 2625. A bill to protect our servicemembers' children from convicted pedophiles and other felons infiltrating the classroom; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. MORAN):

S. 2626. A bill to authorize the operation of unmanned aircraft systems by institutions of higher education for educational and research purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. 2627. A bill to adjust the boundary of the Mojave National Preserve; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2628. A bill to authorize the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. COONS, Mr. KAIN, and Mr. MARKEY):

S. 2629. A bill to establish in the United States Agency for International Development an entity to be known as the United States Global Development Lab, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 2630. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to require certain disclosures be included on employee pay stubs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 2631. A bill to amend the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 to define environmental intervention blood lead level, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CASSIDY:

S. 2632. A bill to promote freedom, human rights, and the rule of law as part of United States-Vietnam relations and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BENNET, Mr. UDALL, Mr. BROWN, and Ms. HEITKAMP):

S. 2633. A bill to improve the ability of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide health care to veterans through non-Department health care providers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN:

S. 2634. A bill to establish an interagency One Health Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 2635. A bill to enhance the ability of the United States to carry out icebreaking in the polar regions and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 2636. A bill to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to require mandatory approval of applications for land to be taken into trust if the