

well. His former service as a local public official has provided him a unique perspective on the needs of proper access to healthcare, workforce readiness, educational progress, and important matters related to transportation infrastructure in this rural, predominantly agricultural region.

A native of Washington County, MS, Mr. Rankins graduated from Simmons High School in Hollandale, MS, and later received a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Mississippi Valley State University. Prior to his contributions as president of Delta Council, Mr. Rankins served his community as a law enforcement officer, an elected county official, past president of 100 Black Men of the Mississippi Delta, and active participant in the local Boys and Girls Club. Mr. Rankins' dedication to the future of the delta and all of those who live there is laudable. I am pleased to join the people of my State in commending Al Rankins and sharing our appreciation with his wife, Mary, and their children, CeCelia, Alfred, Jr., Ansel, and Anthony, as the 81st annual meeting of the Delta Council organizational membership convenes.●

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

● Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, this year marks the 40th anniversary of the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization, IRCO, a nonprofit organization that serves the many immigrant and refugee communities that come to Oregon seeking a new and better life.

Since its founding in 1976, IRCO has been helping individuals and families who come to the United States with few resources and little support. Established by refugees, for refugees, the organization has a long track record of providing vital housing, healthcare, and employment services. IRCO staff offer peer-to-peer assistance and culturally specific services through programs like the Asian Family Center and Africa House. IRCO served more than 28,000 people in 2015 alone, helping these new Oregonians integrate into communities across our State while maintaining an important connection to their rich heritage and traditions.

Beyond offering immediate support for those starting a life in the United States, IRCO has also become an advocacy arm for Oregon's immigrants and refugees. Its leadership development programs have graduated many individuals who have worked with key decisionmakers to pursue change in Oregon and beyond.

As many in this Chamber know, I am the son of immigrants who fled Nazi Germany to avoid persecution. The act of helping immigrants and refugees resettle, to become contributing Americans, is close to my heart. I know first-

hand how this country thrives by harnessing the ideas, energy, and hard work of those who come to our shores—in fact, I stand here today as the proof. That is why I will continue to do what I can to support organizations, like IRCO, working day-in and day-out to ensure everyone gets a fair shot at success.

I conclude by congratulating IRCO on 40 years of tremendous service and by wishing all of its staff, volunteers, and partners continued success in the years to come.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, 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 and a withdrawal which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:30 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 bills, without amendment:

S. 32. An act to provide the Department of Justice with additional tools to target extraterritorial drug trafficking activity, and for other purposes.

S. 125. An act to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2020, and for other purposes.

S. 2755. An act to provide Capitol-flown flags to the immediate family of firefighters, law enforcement officers, members of rescue squads or ambulance crews, and public safety officers who are killed in the line of duty.

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

H.R. 2137. An act to ensure Federal law enforcement officers remain able to ensure their own safety, and the safety of their families, during a covered furlough.

H.R. 3209. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the disclosure of certain tax return information for the purpose of missing or exploited children investigations.

H.R. 4063. An act to improve the use by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of opioids in treating veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4957. An act to designate the Federal building located at 99 New York Avenue, N.E., in the District of Columbia as the "Ariel Rios Federal Building".

H.R. 4985. An act to amend the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act to pro-

tect classified information in Federal court challenges.

H.R. 5048. An act to require a study by the Comptroller General of the United States on Good Samaritan laws that pertain to treatment of opioid overdoses, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5052. An act to direct the Attorney General and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to evaluate the effectiveness of grant programs that provide grants for the primary purpose of providing assistance in addressing problems pertaining to opioid abuse, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 3209. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the disclosure of certain tax return information for the purpose of missing or exploited children investigations; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 4063. An act to improve the use by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of opioids in treating veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 4985. An act to amend the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act to protect classified information in Federal court challenges; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5048. An act to require a study by the Comptroller General of the United States on Good Samaritan laws that pertain to treatment of opioid overdoses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5052. An act to direct the Attorney General and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to evaluate the effectiveness of grant programs that provide grants for the primary purpose of providing assistance in addressing problems pertaining to opioid abuse, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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-5359. A communication from the Secretary of the Senate, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the receipts and expenditures of the Senate for the period from October 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2016; ordered to lie on the table.

EC-5360. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Butanedioic acid, 2-sulfo-, C-C9-11-isoalkyl esters, C10-rich, disodium salts; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9945-58-OCSPP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5361. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clethodim; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9945-68-OCSPP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the

President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5362. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluxapyroxad; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9945-48-OCSP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5363. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Grapes Grown in a Designated Area of Southeastern California and Imported Table Grapes; Revisions to the Administrative Rules and Regulations for Shipments to Charitable Organizations" (Docket No. AMS-FV-14-0100) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5364. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Corrosion Policy and Oversight Budget Materials"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5365. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Long-Haul Telecommunications" ((RIN0750-AI72) (DFARS Case 2015-D023)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5366. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Duty-Free Entry Threshold" ((RIN0750-AI76) (DFARS Case 2015-D036)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5367. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Multiyear Contract Requirements" ((RIN0750-AI80) (DFARS Case 2015-D009)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5368. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Disclosure to Litigation Support Contractors" ((RIN0750-AH54) (DFARS Case 2012-D029)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5369. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Contract Term Limit for

Energy Savings Contracts" ((RIN0750-AI74) (DFARS Case 2015-D018)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5370. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report Specifying for Each Reserve Component The Additional Items of Equipment That Would be Procured, and the Additional Military Construction Projects That Would be Carried Out When the Aggregate Amounts Identified For Reserve Component Equipment And Construction In The Future-Years Defense Program Is Less Than An Amount Equal To 90 Percent Of The Average Authorized Amount For These Requirements In The Preceding Two Fiscal Years"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5371. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning operations at the Naval Petroleum Reserves for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5372. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Exchange Act Registration Requirements to Implement Title V and Title VI of the JOBS Act" (RIN3235-AL40) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5373. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004, with respect to the blocking of property of certain persons and prohibition of exportation and re-exportation of certain goods to Syria; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5374. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64) (Docket No. FEMA-2016-0002)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5375. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo that was declared in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5376. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to operation of the Exchange Stabilization Fund (ESF) for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5377. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5378. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Depart-

ment of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Procedures for Requests for Correction of Errors in Rules" (RIN1904-AD63) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5379. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Refuge-Specific Regulations; Public Use; Kenai National Wildlife Refuge" (RIN1018-AX56) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 3, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5380. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendments to Performance Specification 18 and Procedure 6" ((RIN2060-AS86) (FRL No. 9944-26-OAR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5381. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the Research, Development and Demonstration Permits Rule for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills" ((RIN2050-AG75) (FRL No. 9943-87-OLEM)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5382. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Redesignation Request and Associated Maintenance Plan for Billings, MT 2010 SO₂ Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9945-64-Region 8) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5383. 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 Implementation Plans; Idaho; Interstate Transport Requirements for the 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9946-00-Region 10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5384. 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; Indiana; Commissioner's Orders for A. B. Brown and Clifty Creek" (FRL No. 9946-08-Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5385. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on civil works activities for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5386. 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 "Suspension of Benefits Under the Multiemployer Pension Reform Act of 2014" ((RIN1545-BM66 and RIN1545-BM86) (TD 9765)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5387. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Fire Safety Requirements for Certain Health Care Facilities" ((RIN0938-AR72) (CMS-3277-F)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5388. 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 "Annual Price Inflation Adjustments for Contribution Limitations Made to a Health Savings Account Pursuant to Section 223 of the Internal Revenue Code" (Rev. Proc. 2016-28) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5389. 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 "Applicable Federal Rates—May 2016" (Rev. Rul. 2016-11) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5390. 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 "Examples of Program Related Investments" ((RIN1545-BK76) (TD 9762)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5391. 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 "Determination of Adjusted Applicable Federal Rates and the Adjusted Federal Long-Term Rate" ((RIN1545-BM20) (TD 9763)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5392. 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 "Section 6708 Failure to Maintain List of Advisees With Respect to Reportable Transactions" ((RIN1545-BF39) (TD 9764)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5393. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, two reports relative to the Treaty Between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms (the New START Treaty) (OSS-2016-0098); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5394. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2016-0712); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5395. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2016-0713); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5396. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2016-0643); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5397. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2016-0644); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5398. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2016-0064 - 2016-0065); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5399. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of the Government of Cuba's compliance with the United States-Cuba September 1994 "Joint Communique" and on the treatment of persons returned to Cuba in accordance with the United States-Cuba May 1995 "Joint Statement"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5400. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Preparations, Limits of Potency, and Dating Period Limitations for Biological Products" (Docket No. FDA-2016-N-1170) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5401. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Administration for Community Living, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research"

(RIN0985-AA12) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5402. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Amendments to Special Enrollment Periods and the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan Programs" (RIN0938-AS87) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5403. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2015 National Healthcare Quality and Disparities Report"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5404. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, reports entitled "Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Report to Congress" for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5405. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Foreign Supplier Verification Programs for Importers of Food for Humans and Animals; Technical Amendment" ((RIN0910-AG64) (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0143)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5406. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards for the Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption; Technical Amendment" ((RIN0910-AG35) (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0921)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5407. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Department of Labor Implementation of OMB Guidance on Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5408. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's fiscal year 2015 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5409. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Review of Summer Youth Employment Programs in Eight Major Cities and the District of Columbia"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5410. A communication from the Chair of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve

System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the six-month period from October 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5411. A communication from the Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semi-annual report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5412. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-374, "Youth Suicide Prevention and School Climate Survey Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5413. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-375, "Firehouse Parking Exception Regulation Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5414. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-376, "Director of the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency Salary Approval Temporary Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5415. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-377, "Supporting Normalcy and Empowering Children in Foster Care Temporary Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5416. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-378, "Transportation Reorganization Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5417. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed legislation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5418. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on applications made by the Government for authority to conduct electronic surveillance for foreign intelligence during calendar year 2015 relative to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5419. A communication from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to submitted amendments to the Rules of Appellate and Criminal Procedure; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5420. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator of the Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Temporary Placement of Butyryl Fentanyl and Beta-Hydroxythiofentanyl into Schedule I" (Docket No. DEA-434F) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5421. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator of the Office of

Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Brivaracetam into Schedule V" (Docket No. DEA-435) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5422. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 3, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5423. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Fisheries for 2016" (RIN0648-BE88) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5424. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commission Participation and Commission Employee Involvement in Voluntary Standards Activities" (RIN3041-AD32) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 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-165. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida condemning the international Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement against the State of Israel and calls upon its governmental institutions to denounce hatred and discrimination whenever they appear; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1001

Whereas, the citizens of the State of Florida have long opposed bigotry, oppression, discrimination, and injustice as a matter of public policy, and

Whereas, Florida and Israel have enjoyed a long history of friendship and are great allies in support of each other's interests, and

Whereas, the State of Israel, the only democracy in the Middle East, is the greatest friend and ally of the United States in that region, and

Whereas, the elected representatives of the state recognize the importance of expressing Florida's unwavering support of the Jewish people and the State of Israel's right to exist and right to self-defense, and

Whereas, there are increasing incidents of anti-Semitism throughout the world, including in the United States and in Florida, reflected in official hate crime statistics, and

Whereas, the international Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement is one of the main vehicles for spreading anti-Semitic perspectives and advocating the elimination of the Jewish State, and

Whereas, activities promoting Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions against Israel have

increased in the State of Florida, including on university campuses and in other Florida communities, and contribute to the promotion anti-Semitic and anti-Zionist propaganda, and

Whereas, the increase in BDS campaign activities on college campuses around the country has resulted in increased confrontation, intimidation, and discrimination against Jewish students, and

Whereas, leaders of the BDS movement express that their goal is to eliminate Israel as the national home of the Jewish people, and

Whereas, the BDS campaign's call for academic and cultural boycotts has been condemned by many of our nation's largest academic associations, more than 250 university presidents, and many other leading scholars as a violation of the bedrock principle of academic freedom: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida, That the Florida House of Representatives condemns the international Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement against the State of Israel and calls upon its governmental institutions to denounce hatred and discrimination whenever they appear; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be presented to the President of the United States, the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, and the Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C., for transmission to the proper authorities of the State of Israel as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.

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. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 2919. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide greater flexibility to States in carrying out the Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program and employing local veterans' employment representatives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 2920. A bill to amend the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 and the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to provide for advancements in public safety services to Indian communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself, Mr.

BLUMENTHAL, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TESTER, Mr. UDALL, Mr. BENNET, Mr. ROUNDS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. HELLER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. MANCHIN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. BROWN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. DAINES, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. NELSON, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. KANE, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 2921. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the accountability of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to improve health care and benefits for veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE:

S. 2922. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for partnerships and