

peace and understanding, with a special tea ceremony performed on a sacred American site, the Arizona Memorial. The Memorial is positioned above the sunken battleship USS *Arizona*, the final resting place of hundreds of servicemembers killed in the attack on Pearl Harbor. The ceremony is a strong statement supporting the potential for peace despite a tragic history.

Japan is one of America's strongest and most trusted allies and I thank Dr. Sen for his work to promote good relations between our two countries. I also recognize Soshitsu Sen, the 16th and current grand tea master of the Urasenke School. Finally, my thanks to Mrs. Jean Ariyoshi, former First Lady of Hawaii, who was instrumental in arranging today's historic event at the *Arizona* Memorial.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:39 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, 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. 33. An act to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to specify when certain securities issued in connection with church plans are treated as exempted securities for purposes of that Act.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 33. An act to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to specify when certain securities issued in connection with church plans are treated as exempted securities for purposes of that Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### 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-2502. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65) (Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2503. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Australia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2504. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (RIN0648-BB21) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14,

2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2505. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Recreational Management Measures for the Summer Flounder; Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries; 2011 Scup Specifications; Fishing Year 2011" (RIN0648-BA92) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2506. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Western Pacific; Mechanism for Specifying Annual Catch Limits and Accountability Measures" (RIN0648-AY93) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2507. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; Prohibiting Longline Fishing Within 30 Nautical Miles of the Northern Mariana Islands" (RIN0648-AW67) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2508. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Enforcement Policy for Certain Fire Protection Issues" (RIN3150-AG48) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2509. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule Revisions" (FRL No. 9440-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2510. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9440-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2511. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Alabama; Disapproval of Interstate Transport Submission for the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 Standards" (FRL No. 9438-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2512. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Georgia; Disapproval of Interstate Transport Submission for the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 Standards" (FRL No. 9438-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2513. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan; Kentucky; Disapproval of Interstate Transport Submission for the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 Standards" (FRL No. 9437-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2514. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Section 110(a)(2) Infrastructure Requirements for 1997 8-hour Ozone and Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards; New Mexico Ambient Quality Standards; Approval of New Mexico's PSD Program; CFR Codification Technical Corrections" (FRL No. 9438-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2515. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan; North Carolina; Disapproval of Interstate Transport Submission for the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 Standards" (FRL No. 9438-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2516. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Control of Nitrogen Oxides Emissions from Portland Cement Kilns" (FRL No. 9439-8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2517. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Vermont; Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for the 1997 8-hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9439-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2518. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Missouri" (FRL No. 9440-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2519. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Outer Continental

Shelf Air Regulations Consistency Update for Virginia” (FRL No. 9434-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2520. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District” (FRL No. 9438-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2521. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Notice of Data Availability Concerning Transport Rule Allowance Allocations to Existing Units” (FRL No. 9435-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2522. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants From Petroleum Refineries” (FRL No. 9439-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2523. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan; National Priorities List; Deletion of the Hipps Road Landfill Superfund Site” (FRL No. 9438-4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2524. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New York; Revised Format of 40 CFR Part 52 for Materials Being Incorporated by Reference” (FRL No. 9430-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2525. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval, Disapproval, and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Utah; Revisions to New Source Review Rules” (FRL No. 9428-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2526. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan National Priorities List” (FRL No. 9440-4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2527. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revisions to the

California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District” (FRL No. 9431-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2528. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “RCRA Hazardous Waste Identification of Methamphetamine Production Process By-products”; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2529. 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 “Determining the Amount of Taxes Paid for Purposes of the Foreign Tax Credit” (RIN 1545-BK25) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2530. 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 for Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates” (Notice 2011-59) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2531. 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 “Notice and Request for Comments Regarding the Community Health Needs Assessment Requirements for Tax-exempt Hospitals” (Notice 2011-52) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2532. 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 “Medical Devices; Neurological Devices; Clarification of Classification for Human Dura Mater; Technical Amendment” (Docket No. FDA-1997-N-0040) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2533. 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 “Medical Devices; Exception From General Requirements for Informed Consent” (Docket No. FDA-2003-N-0212) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2534. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Delays in Approvals of Applications Related to Citizen Petitions and Petitions for Stay of Agency Action for Fiscal Year 2010”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2535. A communication from the Director, Planning and Policy Analysis, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Federal Employees Health Benefits Program: New Premium Rating Method for Most Community Rated Plans” (RIN3206-AM39) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## 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-59. A resolution adopted by the Commission of Wayne County of the State of Michigan relative to recognition of the importance of the continuing funding and support for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. MURRAY, from the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 745. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to protect certain veterans who would otherwise be subject to a reduction in educational assistance benefits, and for other purposes.

## 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. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 1383. A bill to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to improve the enforcement, collection, and administration of child support payments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CHAMBLISS:

S. 1384. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the temporary employment of foreign agricultural workers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. DEMINT):

S. 1385. A bill to terminate the \$1 presidential coin program; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 1386. A bill for the relief of Hussein Bazzi; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 1387. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the airport improvement program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 1388. A bill to support private sector development, employment growth, rule of law, democratic reform, and accountable government in qualified transition countries in the Middle East and North Africa through the authorization of the participation by the United States in the general capital increase of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 52

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 52, a bill to establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures