

## MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, 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 a treaty and sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

## MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:27 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

H.Con.Res. 257. Concurrent resolution providing for an Adjournment of both Houses.

## ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 10:09 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 750. An act to consolidate certain mineral interests in the National Grasslands in Billings County, North Dakota, through the exchange of Federal and private minerals interests to enhance land management capabilities and environmental and wildlife protection, and for other purposes.

## MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

S. 1889. A bill to reduce tobacco use by children and others through an increase in the cost of tobacco products, the imposition of advertising and marketing limitations, assuring appropriate tobacco industry oversight, expanding the availability of tobacco use cessation programs, and implementing a strong public health prevention and education strategy that involves the private sector, schools, States, and local communities.

## EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-4498. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the consolidated financial statements of the U.S. government for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Government Affairs.

EC-4499. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on government-wide spending to combat terrorism; to the Committee on Armed Services.

## PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and

were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-375. A resolution adopted by the House of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; to the Committee on Appropriations.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 330

Whereas, Since 1989 the Pennsylvania National Guard Counterdrug Program has supported 2,965 counterdrug missions at Federal, State and local law enforcement levels in this Commonwealth; and

Whereas, Pennsylvania National Guard counterdrug efforts have supported drug law enforcement missions that have taken 10,221 pounds of cocaine, 402 pounds of heroin and 21,689 pounds of marijuana off Pennsylvania streets; and

Whereas, Since 1994 Pennsylvania National Guard counterdrug personnel have cleaned and sealed or razed over 2,270 units of houses in seven different municipalities within this Commonwealth; and

Whereas, The Pennsylvania National Guard Counterdrug Program has provided construction support in the rehabilitation of three victims' centers in Philadelphia and five pocket parks in Chester; and

Whereas, Since 1993 the Pennsylvania National Guard Counterdrug Program has assisted in drug seizures of over \$1,600,000,000 in Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, The President of the United States and Congress have proposed a reduction in the amount of the Federal appropriation to the Pennsylvania National Guard Counterdrug Program; and

Whereas, The antidrug efforts being performed by the Pennsylvania National Guard have been very valuable to the citizens of this Commonwealth; therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize the President of the United States and Congress to maintain and increase funding for the Pennsylvania National Guard Counterdrug Program.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs:

Katherine L. Archuleta, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for the remainder of the term expiring May 19, 2000.

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that she be confirmed, subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

By Mr. THURMOND, from the Committee on Armed Services:

Paul J. Hoepfer, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Sue Bailey, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

David R. Oliver, of Idaho, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs:

Elaine D. Kaplan, of the District of Columbia, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, for the term of five years.

Melvin R. Wright, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Ruth Y. Goldway, of California, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring November 22, 2002.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed, subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

By Mr. JEFFORDS, from the Committee on Labor and Human Resources:

Rebecca T. Bingham, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2001.

Scott Snyder Fleming, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Department of Education.

Martha B. Gould, of Nevada, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2002. (Reappointment)

Cherryl T. Thomas, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2002.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed, subject to the nominees' commitment 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 time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. THURMOND:

S. 1894. A bill to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Labeling Act of 1988 to improve a warning label requirement; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HELMS:

S. 1895. A bill for the relief of Augusto Segovia and Maria Segovia, husband and wife, and their children; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MCCONNELL:

S. 1896. A bill to transfer administrative jurisdiction over Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area to the Secretary of Agriculture; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. KERREY):

S. 1897. A bill to require accurate billing by telecommunications carriers with respect to the costs and fees resulting from the enactment of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 1898. A bill to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. BURNS):

S. 1899. A bill entitled "Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation Indian Reserved Water Rights Settlement Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. D'AMATO (for himself, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. SHELBY, Mr.

FAIRCLOTH, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. DODD, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BRYAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. REED, and Mr. DEWINE):

S. 1900. A bill to establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposition of Holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. REID, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 1901. A bill to amend the Freedom of Information Act to provide electronic access to certain Internal Revenue Service information on the Internet, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 1902. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the first \$2,000 of health insurance premiums to be fully deductible; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THOMAS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. HELMS, Mr. HAGEL, and Mr. SMITH of Oregon):

S. 1903. A bill to prohibit the return of veterans memorial objects to foreign nations without specific authorization in law; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

By Mr. GORTON:

S. 1904. A bill to amend the Elwha River Ecosystem and Fisheries Restoration Act to provide further for the acquisition and removal of the Elwha dam and acquisition of Glines Canyon dam and the restoration of the Elwha River ecosystem and native anadromous fisheries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. KYL (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. FORD, Mr. REID, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. MACK, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. INOUE, Mr. BRYAN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. WARNER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. ALLARD, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. COATS, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. FRIST, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HELMS, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BOND, and Mr. GRAMS):

S.J. Res. 44. A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. THURMOND:

S. 1894. A bill to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Labeling Act of 1988 to improve a warning label requirement; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

##### ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LABELING ACT AMENDMENTS

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, I am pleased to rise today to introduce a bill to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Labeling Act of 1988. Current law requires all containers of alcoholic beverages to display the following warning on the label:

GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) According to the Surgeon General, women should not drink alcoholic beverages during pregnancy because of the risk of birth defects. (2) Con-

sumption of alcoholic beverages impairs your ability to drive a car or operate machinery, and may cause health problems.

For nine years this warning has made consumers aware of some of the potential dangers associated with the consumption of alcohol. While I am confident that this warning appropriately illustrates the hazards of drinking during pregnancy and drinking and driving, I am concerned that it does not adequately describe the negative health effects associated with drinking alcohol. There is no shortage of well-substantiated information about the detrimental health effects of drinking. Excessive consumption of alcohol can raise the risk of stroke, heart disease, high blood pressure, certain cancers, malnutrition, cirrhosis of the liver, inflammation of the pancreas, and damage to the brain and heart. Obviously, there are so many adverse consequences of excessive alcohol consumption that it would be impossible to include them all on the face of a label. The bill I am introducing today, however, will warn consumers of the dangers associated with moderate consumption of alcohol. I am concerned that citizens may not realize that even moderate consumption of alcohol can put their health at risk. A recent study conducted by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) indicates that there is an increased risk of breast cancer associated with moderate drinking. Specifically, there is a 40 percent increase in the risk of breast cancer associated with an average intake of one drink per day, and a doubling of the risk of breast cancer with an average consumption of three drinks per day. The NIAAA study also revealed that a moderate alcohol intake of about two drinks per day can lead to an increase in blood pressure.

Mr. President, the use of alcoholic beverages, even in moderate amounts, can have very serious health consequences that might ultimately be fatal. The government has a legitimate and important role to play in helping to assure that Americans understand these dangers. The legislation I am introducing today will supplement the current warning on labels to inform consumers of the dangers of moderate alcohol consumption. Further, this legislation will require that the warning label indicate that consumption of alcohol may lead to alcoholism. Alcohol has an addictive effect much like illegal drugs, and it is important that consumers are aware of this fact.

I urge my colleagues to join me in cosponsoring this critical legislation and look forward to its speedy passage.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of this bill be printed in the RECORD.

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

S. 1894

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. LABELING REQUIREMENT.

Section 204(a) of the Alcoholic Beverage Labeling Act of 1988 (27 U.S.C. 215(a)) is amended by striking "may cause health problems" and inserting "may lead to alcoholism. (3) Moderate consumption of alcoholic beverages may cause health problems such as hypertension and breast cancer".

By Mr. MCCONNELL:

S. 1896. A bill to transfer administrative jurisdiction over Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area to the Secretary of Agriculture; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

##### THE LAND BETWEEN THE LAKES PROTECTION ACT OF 1998

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President I have come to the floor today to introduce a bill known as the Land Between the Lakes Protection Act. Land Between the Lakes is a national treasure that must be protected. It is visited by more than 2 million tourists a year who enjoy its natural beauty, whether by camping, fishing, hunting, or just taking a long hike with the family.

That's why, after studying this issue for over a year, we have drafted a bill to ensure that the LBL, which so many Kentuckians enjoy today, will be there for them—unchanged—tomorrow.

As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, my top priority has been to provide LBL the money it needs to operate—including \$6.9 million last year. I remain committed to providing that funding to ensure that LBL remains a national treasure just like Mammoth Cave or Daniel Boone National Forest.

But because of TVA Chairman Craven Crowell's harmful and ill-considered request last year to zero-out LBL's funding, it may be that Congress will deny funding to TVA's non-power budget this year. Because of this reality, LBL needs a safety net. That's what this bill is—a safety net.

If Congress decides to fund TVA then TVA will remain LBL's steward. If TVA is denied funding, my bill will safely and seamlessly transition LBL to a less controversial steward without interrupting the myriad of recreational activities that millions of visitors have come to enjoy every year.

There may be some who want to gamble everything on TVA receiving its appropriation. But I believe LBL is far too precious for such an all or nothing gambit. That's why our bill provides for both contingencies.

Mr. President, let me take a moment to explain some of the provisions I have included in this legislation based on the input I have received from area residents, and those who enjoy LBL. The goal of this bill is to ensure that the day to day operations of LBL remain the same for its visitors. Therefore, this bill codifies LBL's 1972 mission statement and ensures that the Forest Service continues to manage LBL for multiple use with a focus on recreation, conservation and environmental education.

This legislation also gives the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service the authority