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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed S. 3906, Non-Pilots As Commanders of Air Force Flying Units, which will permit qualified commissioned officers who are not rated as pilots to command flying units.

The bill repeals the statutory requirement which the Air Force no longer considers necessary which mandated that only certain officers with aeronautical ratings as pilots command Air Force flying units.

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The President has signed S. 1353, Vessel Tonnage Deductions For Waste Materials, which amends present vessel tonnage measurement laws to allow spaces used for waste materials on vessels to be deducted from gross tonnage in determining net tonnage for computing duties and taxes.

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