

on D.C. Act 23-258, "Freedom Forum, Inc. Real Property Tax Exemption and Equitable Real Property Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4404. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the CARES Act and the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP); to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

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. PERDUE (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 3599. A bill to enhance our Nation's nurse and physician workforce during the COVID-19 crisis by recapturing unused immigrant visas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COTTON (for himself, Mr. HAWLEY, Mrs. LOEFFLER, Mr. TOOMEY, and Mr. DAINES):

S. 3600. A bill to authorize the imposition of sanctions with respect to the deliberate concealment or distortion of information about public health emergencies of international concern, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SASSE:

S. 3601. A bill to prevent States from using or distributing resources during the COVID-19 national emergency in accordance with a State policy that discriminates on the basis of disability, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3602. A bill to provide loan forgiveness for certain borrowers of Department of Agriculture direct farm loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 3603. A bill to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 to require the South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force to develop a priority list for reducing, mitigating, and controlling invasive species within the South Florida ecosystem, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. REED):

S. 3604. A bill to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to report on COVID-19 recovery small business programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3605. A bill to amend the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004 to provide specialty crop block grants to fund State food banks and food access networks; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. REED, Ms. ROSEN, Ms. SMITH, Ms. HARRIS, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 3606. A bill to provide for the establishment of a Health Force and a Resilience

Force to respond to public health emergencies and meet public health needs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. CRUZ, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. COONS, Mr. DAINES, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. LOEFFLER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. SCHUMER, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3607. A bill to extend public safety officer death benefits to public safety officers whose death is caused by COVID-19, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 3608. A bill to amend the CARES Act to provide flexibility in use of funds by States, Indian Tribes, and municipalities; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. WARREN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. DURBIN, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 3609. A bill to ensure that all communities have access to urgently needed COVID-19 testing, treatment, public health information, and relief benefits regardless of immigration status or limited English proficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. ROMNEY, Mr. LANKFORD, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. ERNST, Mr. BRAUN, and Mr. SASSE):

S. 3610. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to allow health share pools to be deemed an employer under section 3(5) of such Act for purposes of offering a group health plan or group health insurance coverage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. BOOKER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Ms. WARREN):

S. 3611. A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act and the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to reduce certain royalties, to amend the CARES Act to limit the provision of assistance to certain businesses, to impose a moratorium on certain oil and natural gas lease sales, the issuance of coal leases, and modifications to certain regulations, to extend certain public comment periods, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 3612. A bill to clarify for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that receipt of coronavirus assistance does not affect the tax treatment of ordinary business expenses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BRAUN:

S. 3613. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to strengthen existing benefits for certain descendants of veterans exposed to herbicide agents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. HARRIS (for herself and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina):

S. 3614. A bill to authorize the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to approve State and local plans to partner with small and mid-size restaurants and nonprofit organizations to provide nutritious meals to individuals in need, to waive certain matching fund requirements, and for other purposes; to the Com-

mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

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

S. Res. 557. A resolution recognizing the cultural and historical significance of the Cinco de Mayo holiday; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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

S. Res. 558. A resolution recognizing April 30, 2020, as "El Dia de los Ninos-Celebrating Young Americans"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. HIRONO, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. Res. 559. A resolution honoring the accomplishments and legacy of Cesar Estrada Chavez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 696

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) were added as cosponsors of S. 696, a bill to designate the same individual serving as the Chief Nurse Officer of the Public Health Service as the National Nurse for Public Health.

S. 2563

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) and the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) were added as cosponsors of S. 2563, a bill to improve laws relating to money laundering, and for other purposes.

S. 2621

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2621, a bill to provide for the restoration of legal rights for claimants under holocaust-era insurance policies.

S. 2791

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2791, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that sums in the Thrift Savings Fund may not be invested in securities that are listed on certain foreign exchanges, and for other purposes.

S. 2898

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2898, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for a full annuity supplement for certain air traffic controllers.

S. 3018

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr.

CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3018, a bill to require the United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to oppose assistance by the Bank for any country that exceeds the graduation threshold of the Bank and is of concern with respect to religious freedom.

S. 3176

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) were added as cosponsors of S. 3176, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the United States-Israel Strategic Partnership Act of 2014 to make improvements to certain defense and security assistance provisions and to authorize the appropriations of funds to Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 3360

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3360, a bill to establish the National Center for the Advancement of Aviation.

S. 3517

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3517, a bill to increase the ability of nursing facilities to access to telehealth services and obtain technologies to allow virtual visits during the public health emergency relating to an outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), and for other purposes.

S. 3538

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) were added as cosponsors of S. 3538, a bill to require the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a report on the reliance by the Department of Defense on imports of certain pharmaceutical products made in part or in whole in certain countries, to establish postmarket reporting requirements for pharmaceuticals, and for other purposes.

S. 3569

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA), the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH), the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST), the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. PERDUE), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Georgia (Mrs. LOEFFLER) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS) were added as cosponsors of S. 3569, a bill to help small business broadband providers keep customers connected.

S. RES. 509

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mrs. LOEFFLER), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER), the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH), the

Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES), the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. PERDUE), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. GRASSLEY), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR), the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. PORTMAN) and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BRAUN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 509, a resolution calling upon the United Nations Security Council to adopt a resolution on Iran that extends the dates by which Annex B restrictions under Resolution 2231 are currently set to expire.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 557—RECOGNIZING THE CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CINCO DE MAYO HOLIDAY

Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. CORNYN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 557

Whereas May 5, or "Cinco de Mayo" in Spanish, is celebrated each year as a date of importance by Mexican and Mexican-American communities;

Whereas the Cinco de Mayo holiday commemorates May 5, 1862, the date on which Mexicans defeated the French at the Battle of Puebla, one of the many battles that the Mexican people won in their long and brave fight for independence, freedom, and democracy;

Whereas the victory of Mexico over France at Puebla represented a historic triumph for the Mexican government during the Franco-Mexican war fought between 1861 and 1867 and bolstered the resistance movement;

Whereas the success of Mexico at the Battle of Puebla reinvigorated the spirits of the Mexican people and provided a renewed sense of unity and strength;

Whereas the French army, which had not experienced defeat against any of the finest troops of Europe in more than half a century, sustained a disastrous loss at the hands of an outnumbered and ill-equipped, but highly spirited and courageous, Mexican army;

Whereas the courageous spirit that Mexican General Ignacio Zaragoza and his men displayed during that historic battle can never be forgotten;

Whereas, in a larger sense, Cinco de Mayo symbolizes the right of a free people to self-determination, just as Benito Juarez, the president of Mexico during the Battle of Puebla, once said, "El respeto al derecho ajeno es la paz", meaning "respect for the rights of others is peace";

Whereas the sacrifice of Mexican fighters was instrumental in keeping Mexico from falling under European domination while, in the United States, the Union Army battled Confederate forces in the Civil War;

Whereas Cinco de Mayo serves as a reminder that the foundation of the United States was built by people from many coun-

tries and diverse cultures who were willing to fight and die for freedom;

Whereas Cinco de Mayo also serves as a reminder of the close ties between the people of Mexico and the people of the United States;

Whereas Cinco de Mayo encourages the celebration of a legacy of strong leaders and a sense of vibrancy in communities; and

Whereas Cinco de Mayo serves as a reminder to provide more opportunity for future generations: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the historic struggle of the people of Mexico for independence and freedom, which Cinco de Mayo commemorates; and

(2) encourages the people of the United States to observe Cinco de Mayo with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

SENATE RESOLUTION 558—RECOGNIZING APRIL 30, 2020, AS "EL DIA DE LOS NINOS—CELEBRATING YOUNG AMERICANS"

Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. CRAPO) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 558

Whereas, each year in the United States, El Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans is recognized as a day to affirm and recognize the importance of young children and adolescents in the United States;

Whereas children and adolescents represent the hopes and dreams of the people of the United States, and the well-being of children and adolescents is emphasized as a top priority in the United States;

Whereas, according to data of the Bureau of the Census, the Hispanic population in the United States is the youngest major racial or ethnic group in the United States, as—

(1) more than 18,100,000 Hispanics in the United States, a group that represents nearly ⅓ of the Hispanic population in the United States, are younger than 18 years of age; and

(2) in 2017, more than 15,600,000 Hispanics in the United States, a group that represents more than ¼ of the Hispanic population in the United States, were individuals between 18 and 34 years of age (commonly referred to as "millennials");

Whereas the Hispanic population in the United States continues to grow and is a significant part of the workforce in the United States, and children in that population will be consumers, taxpayers, and voters in the future;

Whereas, as the United States becomes more culturally and ethnically diverse, the people of the United States must strive to bring about cultural understanding and celebrate a tradition that honors all children and adolescents on El Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans, a day that acknowledges and shares traditions and customs with all people in the United States;

Whereas parents are at the center of teaching children about family values, morality, life preparation, health, survival, and culture;

Whereas the designation of a day of special recognition to honor children and adolescents in the United States—

(1) will help affirm the significance of family, education, health, and community among the people of the United States; and

(2) will provide an opportunity for those children and adolescents to reflect on their futures, to articulate their aspirations, to find comfort and security in the support of their family members, communities, and